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Gen. Grant's Cabinet Still the Great Subject of Speculation.

The Politicians Still Baffled by the General's Reticence.

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Caucus of Republican Members of the House.

Official Programme of the Inauguration Ceremonies.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, March 2.

Cabinet rumors still thicken the air, despite the fact that everybody knows that nobody knows anything about the matter but Gen. GRANT. People will speculate, guess, and predict, and correspondents are compelled to take cognizance of such material in the absence of anything more reliable. The mystery of the Cabinet is regarded on all hands as the best kept State secret in the country's history. To-night there comes a nervous rumor that JOHN A. DIX is to be Secretary of State, then a conjecture that PIERREPONT will be Attorney-General, forgetting that if anything goes to New-York, it must be, in the nature of things, either the State or the Treasury. HAMILTON FISH is set up as the figure-head of the Administration a dozen times a day, and as often taken down. The names of GRISWOLD, MORGAN and Commissioner WELLS still palpitate upon the air. The latter's stock has suddenly taken a turn upward, but nobody knows the reason, unless that he cannot be persuaded to go and talk to GRANT at present on any subject. BOUTWELL and HOOPER loom up in the uncertain future a dozen times a day, but without object or purpose. All is still locked in the bosom of the wonderful little man whose immobile features and expression are adjuncts of safety to the country. Only three more days of waiting before this racking curiosity is satisfied.

Gen. GRANT has suggested the idea in recent conversation that the three leading Customs Revenue offices at New-York are national in their character, and that not alone New-York, but the whole country are interested in their administration. If Gen. GRANT should act upon this idea, the country need not be surprised to see these offices filled by a selection of one from the City, one from the State, and one from the country at large. I have reason to believe that these offices will receive very early attention.

Although it has been freely stated that Mr. JOHNSON has notified Gen. GRANT of his willingness to participate to the usual extent in the inauguration ceremonies, it is nevertheless not true. Gen. GRANT has not received any such intimation, and his action will not be subject to any change because of the reception or non-reception of such an intimation. He will ride to the Capitol with his staff.

Gen. GRANT has finished his inaugural address. It occupies [illegible] of letter paper, and is estimated to be of about the same length as that of Mr. LINCOLN in 1865. Nothing definite concerning its tenor has transpired, except that it will urge the ratification of the Constitutional Suffrage Amendment and the payment of the public debt in coin.

There are some absurd stories afloat that he will take a threatening position on the Alabama claims question, but they are concocted for a purely sensational purpose. He will read the address from a manuscript copy, which will immediately be furnished to the Press.

Most of the prominent Pennsylvanians arriving here are delighted at the discomfiture of QUAY. One of them stated that the McClure-Curtin programme was to get control of the Indian ring. CURTIN was to go in as Secretary of the Interior, and MCCLURE was to be Indian Commissioner. Mr. MCCLURE only lately returned from the Indian country and his Montana mines, whose richness he has been extensively advertising in the columns of one of your contemporaries, and has been attempting all through Pennsylvania kindred game of fiction.

Gen. GRANT has decided that upon taking the oath of office as President, his commission as General becomes vacant without the formality of a resignation. Acting upon this determination he will on Friday, simultaneously with the nomination of his Cabinet, send to the Senate the name of Lieut.-Gen. SHERMAN for the vacant post of General. I do not understand that the filling of the vacancies below this grade consequent upon this promotion has yet been determined upon. It is should be, the impression prevails that Major-Gen. SHERIDAN will receive the promotion of Lieutenant-General.

Gov. A. J. Hamilton, Col. John L. Hayes, M. L. Armstrong, Dr. R. R. Lane, F. W. Sumner, Capt. Edwards, Dr. Baker, Col. Stancel, and Messrs. Stickbridge and Camp, of Texas, called upon Gen. GRANT to-day, and were presented by Major-Gen. J. J. REYNOLDS. Gov. HAMILTON, in behalf of the Texans, congratulated Gen. GRANT and the country at large, and the South in particular, upon his election, and assured him that the Texas Convention had presented a good Constitution to the people, and he had no doubt of its ratification, and that Texas would thus soon be restored to the Union. Gen. GRANT expressed his gratification, and said that he thought Gen. CANBY was an excellent officer, but he felt it due to Gen. REYNOLDS to restore the latter to his command. The Texans were well pleased with their interview. They are all opposed to a division of the State.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE BILL REPEAL DEFEATED.

The repeal of the Tenure-of-Office act, which, for this session, at least, was supposed to have received its quietus by the caucus a few days ago, was defeated to-night in the Senate by only four majority—the vote standing 22 for to 26 against it. While the Legislative Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill was under consideration, Mr. MORTON sprung the question on the Senate in the form of an amendment to the bill. Objection was promptly made by FERRY and HOWARD that it was not in order, because it was not germane to the subject under consideration. This technicality afforded some Senators an opportunity to vote against it. Mr. WADE ruled that it was in order. Mr. CONKLING demanded the yeas and nays, and by implication commented sarcastically on the ruling of the chair. Mr. TRUMBULL was opposed to it on the ground that it could not be voted without long debate, which would have the effect of killing off the Appropriation bill; but Mr. MORTON retorted that the taking of the vote had not occupy five minutes. Mr. SUMNER then jumped up with an amendment to the amendment, which was simply the old modification, but this was voted down. The question then recurred on Mr. MORTON's amendment to repeal it in toto, with the above result. The galleries were crowded at the time, and very great interest was manifested in the Chamber. The vote to-night showed that the feeling in favor of the total repeal has gained strength within the last few days, so that it will, in all probability, be swept from the statute books during the early days of the next Congress. Gen. BUTLER was in the Senate while the vote was being taken, and from the number of Senators who had paired it was very evident that there had been some canvassing on the subject beforehand. A dispatch was received here to-day by Hon. THOMAS FITCH, member-elect from Nevada, stating that the Constitutional Amendment had been ratified by the Senate and Assembly of that State by a vote of 13 to 4 in the former body, and of 26 to 16 in the latter. The Army Appropriation bill was taken up in the Senate this evening, and with it the stumbling block of the Massachusetts war claims. After a short discussion on this subject, the bill was laid aside, and the Executive, Judicial and Legislative Appropriation bill was taken up, and finished about 10:30. There was a lengthy discussion on the subject of the compensation to female clerks in Government employ, and it was decided to allow them the same pay as men for similar work. An effort to get an Executive session was made in the Senate this morning, by SUMNER, but it was unsuccessful.

THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE.

Speaker COLFAX will resign his position tomorrow morning, immediately after the reading of the Journal, and the House will immediately elect Hon. T. M. POMEROY, of New-York, for the remainder of the term. As it is a regular election, the vote must be by ballot, and the usual notification to the President and Senate must follow. The selection promises to be unanimous. Mr. POMEROY's retirement from Congress is universally regretted. It is now evident that had he been reelected the contest for the Speakership of the Forty-first Congress would never have amounted to an issue.

THE REPUBLICAN CAUCUS.

The Republican caucus of the House to-night was largely attended, the members being present out of a total Republican strength of 120. Gen. SCHENCK presided, and Mr. DAWES, in a very handsome speech, moved the nomination by acclamation of Hon. JAMES G. BLAINE, of Maine, as Speaker of the Forty-first Congress, which was unanimously agreed to. The following officers, comprising all the present incumbents, were then nominated: Clerk, EDWARD MCPHERSON 88 votes to 29 for ECKERT, of Ohio, and 20 for MCKEE, of Kentucky. Sergeant-at-Arms, N. G. ORDWAY 78, to 37 for H. D. WASHBURN. Doorkeeper, O. S. BRUNSON 78, to 39 for Dr. COLLINS, of Minnesota. One ballot for Postmaster was had, resulting in 68 for N. S. KEES, 63 for Col. GIVAN, of Iowa, and 4 scattering. The hour of 9 o'clock having arrived, the caucus was interrupted, and the nomination for Postmaster went over until to-morrow morning. The gentlemen selected for the empty honors of the Democratic vote were, for Speaker Hon. M. C. KERR, of Indiana; Clerk, C. W. CARRIGAN, of Pennsylvania; Sergeant-at-Arms, OWEN THOMAS, of Washington; Doorkeeper, DAVID WAGNER, of Illinois; Postmaster, W. S. MINOR, of New-York.

SOUTHERN MILITIA.

When the bill of the Senate, repealing the sixth section of the Army Appropriation act of 1867, which prohibits the organization or arming of the Southern militia, was reached, Gen. PAINE promptly moved to put it on its passage, and it went through without a division. This puts the militia in the lately rebellious States on the same footing as in all other States. Mr. JOHNSON will sign it, without doubt, because he must do so to be consistent, but he will deplore the result it produces. The House next got at the bill giving the crew of the *Kearsarge* prize money for the destruction of the *Alabama*. The Senate amendment reducing the amount from $100,000 to $60,000 was non-concurred in, and the bill went to a Committee of Conference. During the evening a large number of bills were disposed of, but none of any special importance.

PASSAGE OF THE PUBLIC CREDIT BILL ASSURED.

The Public Credit bill, despite the predictions of its enemies, has gone in a Committee of Conference, with a good prospect of success. Gen. SCHENCK carried a suspension of the rules for this purpose, in the House, this morning, by more than a two-thirds vote, and the Speaker appointed Messrs. SCHENCK, ALLISON and HULBURD the Committee on the part of the House. In the Senate Messrs. SHERMAN, WILLIAMS and MORTON were appointed on the Committee. The impression prevails that the Senate will carry their amendment to the first section, and that the second section will be allowed to stand as it passed the House. The passage of the bill is positively assured by this action.

A GOOD DAY'S WORK IN THE HOUSE.

The House did a very important day's work and made rapid progress with business. They finished the Miscellaneous Appropriation bill promptly, and then proceeded to business on the Speaker's table. Among the first bills reached was the Bank bill, on which such a long contest has been had in both Houses. Contrary to the expectation of some of its friends, as well as its enemies, it went to a Conference Committee, and it is probable, after all, that some of its best features may be saved. The bill to prevent the certification of checks was passed as it came from the Senate. The bill providing the manner and time of making reports by National Banks was sent to a Conference Committee, and it will pass.

THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON ACCOUNTS.

The House Committee on Accounts, Mr. BROOMHALL Chairman, are assuming as much power as both branches of Congress combined. It has been supposed that their business was to suspend the disbursements of the Contingent Fund, and see that they were strictly in accordance with the resolution, orders and action of the House, but the Committee go a great deal further, and assume to overrule the discretion of the House. The most flagrant instance of the action in the manner in which the Committee has treated the several contestants in the Louisiana election case. The House passed a resolution to pay JONES, Republican; MENARD, negro, and HUNT, Democrat, $2,500 each for expenses incurred in the contest. The Committee approve the payment of $2,500 to JONES, who is least of all entitled to it, and tell MENARD and HUNT that they must be content to take $1,500 each.

TEXAN DELEGATIONS.

Two delegations are here from Texas—one favoring and the other opposing the proposed dismemberment of the State. Gen. REYNOLDS, who is to return to command in Texas in a few days, is strongly opposed to the movement, to-day accompanied the anti-dismemberment delegation to Gen. GRANT's headquarters. Gen. REYNOLDS has information that Gen. CANBY has succeeded in arresting several of the members of the Kuklux Klan who murdered Mr. GEO. W. SMITH, a Radical delegate to the Texas Constitutional Convention, and the probabilities are that the whole gang will be arrested or forced to leave the State.

SERENADE TO CARL SCHURZ.

CARL SCHURZ, the new Senator elect from Missouri, was serenaded to-night by the German societies of this city, who turned out in long procession, with banners, torches and music, with the Twelfth Infantry band. Mr. KLUCKHULN made an address to Mr. SCHURZ, after which the latter came forward and made a brief address to his friends.

GEN. BANKS' SPANISH RESOLUTION.

When the Senate joint resolution of sympathy with Spain was reached, Gen. BANKS offered a remarkable substitute, which sympathizes first with Spain, and, second, with the Cuban revolutionists. Mr. BROOKS sharply called attention to the anomalous position in which this would place the House, but BANKS called the previous question, and it passed without a division.

NORMAN WIARD TO BE PAID.

NORMAN WIARD's claim for $128,848, for guns furnished the Navy Department under contract, and afterward refused, was reported this morning by Gen. SCHENCK from the Joint Committee on Ordnance, and, after explanation, was passed by six majority. The Committee were unanimous in reporting the bill.

RESIGNATION OF THE GOVERNOR OF ARIZONA.

Gov. MCCORMICK, of Arizona, delegate elect to the Forty-first Congress, tendered his resignation as Governor of that Territory to-day.

Dispatches to the Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, March 2.

PRESIDENT JOHNSON'S FAREWELL RECEPTION.

Whatever may have been the motive that induced the attendance, it is certain that President JOHNSON's farewell reception to-night was the largest that he has held for a long while, not even excepting his New-Year receptions; from the time the doors were opened, at 8 o'clock, until after midnight, the crowd poured through the halls and paid their respects to the Chief Magistrate of the nation whose term is so soon to expire. The throng in attendance embraced every class and condition in life and society, arrayed in every style of dress. While of course the unusual crowd was to be attributed to some extent to the great number of strangers in the city, still there were hundreds of distinguished residents and citizens of Washington present, and many occupying official stations. The Democratic members of Congress nearly all called, and there were more Republican members present than upon any previous occasion during the last two years. The toilets of the ladies were rich, and there was as much gaiety as has been witnessed at a Presidential reception. The scene in the East Room during the promenade was grand, the only obstruction being the crowd, which was too great for comfort or satisfactory enjoyment. The President seemed to be in good spirits, and was constantly engaged in shaking hands with those who had availed themselves of the occasion to bid him farewell.

FAREWELL CABINET MEETING.

The last Cabinet meeting under the present Administration was held to-day. The members were all present.

PRINCE EDWARD'S ISLAND RECIPROCITY.

Gen. BUTLER to-day made a report from the Select Committee appointed by a resolution of the House in July last in regard to Prince Edward's Island. The Committee, in pursuance of instructions, went to Prince Edward's Island, in the Gulf of St. Lawrence, one of the colonial dependencies of Great Britain, arriving at Charlottetown on the 20th of August. They found there every disposition to aid them in an investigation, and to meet them in terms of most liberal spirit, so far as was in their power. They met a portion of the Executive Council, and exchanged their views as to what was desirable by both parties. In conclusion, the Committee say they desire thus publicly to express their sensibility of the courtesy, kindness and hospitality with which they were received and treated by the people of Prince Edward's Island and its authorities. They returned thence deeply impressed with the desirableness of the promotion of reciprocal trade between the Island and the United States, with no doubt of its feasibility, and had it been within the scope of their instructions would have reported a bill to carry out that object. But they have no doubt that the subject will receive that consideration of the Committee on Commerce to which it is entitled. The report is signed by Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts; Mr. POLAND, of Vermont, and Mr. BECK, of Kentucky.

FAREWELL MEETING OF RETIRING CONGRESSMEN.

Papers have been circulated in the House of Representatives as follows:

"The retiring members of the Fortieth Congress, by invitation of Hon. SCHUYLER COLFAX, will meet, at 8 o'clock, in the parlor of the Speaker House, in this city, for an interchange of friendly good wishes and greetings between themselves and their Speaker, only to the purpose a Bible, will disclosure in the ensuing Congress."

This is signed, without distinction of party, by Messrs. Driggs, McKee, Pomeroy, Upson, Glossbrenner, Baldwin, Pile, Kounts, Ashley, of Ohio, Stewart, Hulburd, Miller, Moorhead, Donnelly, Washburn, of Indiana, Woodbridge, Windom, Grover, Spalding, Mallory, Cary, Trowbridge, Griswold, Shellabarger, Van Aernam and others.

PERSONAL.

Secretary SEWARD and his family will leave here on Friday for Auburn, preparations to that end having been completed. President JOHNSON will vacate the Executive mansion on Thursday morning. Secretary WELLES will retain his present residence till May. ROGER WELLES, Chief Clerk of the Navy Department, will resign to-morrow. It is understood that several Chiefs of Bureaus will tender their resignations immediately on the formation of the new Cabinet. It is not true, as reported, that Gen. SPINNER is an applicant for a foreign Mission. He is not an applicant for any position whatever. The Secretary of War has ordered Major HOWLAND, of the Second Cavalry, before the Retiring Board at St. Louis. HENRY C. HALL, Esq., Consul at Matanzas, Cuba, has taken temporary charge of the United States Consulate at Havana, in pursuance of instructions from Washington.

SUPREME COURT DECISIONS.

The following cases were before the Supreme Court to-day:

No. 225—The United States, appellants, vs. Manuel Antonio Rodriguez de Peli. Appeal from the District Court of the United States for the District of California. Ordered by the Court, that the decree of the said District Court in this cause be affirmed, per stipulation of counsel on file.

No. 52—William N. Whitney, appellant, vs. William Swayne. The argument of this cause was continued by E. R. Fisher, Esq., of counsel for the appellant, and Mr. Justice Field, Esq., of counsel for the appellee, and concluded by Mr. Fisher for the appellant. Suit for the infringement of the patent for cutting grain.

Report From the Senate Select Committee on Representative Reform.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, March 2.

Senator BUCKALEW to-day made a report from the Select Committee on representative reform. The bill referred to them, and now reported, proposes to secure fair and complete representation to every important political interest in the country; to strike an effectual blow at the corruptions in popular elections; to secure more harmony and contentment than now exists among the people, and to improve the composition of the popular branch of Congress by facilitating the introduction and continuance of men of ability and merit in that body. The plan is as follows:

Representatives being assigned to a State under the constitutional mode of distribution, each elector in the State shall possess as many votes as there are representatives to be chosen. He shall possess his due and equal share of electoral power as a member of the political body of the State. It is next proposed that the elector shall exercise this right of suffrage according to his own judgment and discretion, and without compulsion of law. He shall bestow or distribute his votes upon or among candidates with entire freedom, and shall be relieved from the legal restraint to which he has been heretofore subjected. He may select his candidate or candidates anywhere within the limits of his State from all its qualified citizens, and he may exert his political power upon the general representation of his State, instead of the representation of a particular district within it. Here is unquestionably a large and valuable extension of privilege to the citizens from him of inconvenience and offensive restraint, and a more complete application of that principle of self-government upon which our political institutions are founded; and what is material for consideration is, that while all the advantages of a plan of election by general ticket are secured, all its inconvenience and evils are avoided. The Committee examine this subject at length, argue that the concentrated vote is in strict conformity with Democratic principles, and realizes more perfectly our ideas of popular government, for by it the whole mass of electors are brought into direct relations with the Government, and particularly with that department or branch of Government, the principal one in power, if not in dignity, which makes the laws. All will participate really in choosing representatives, and all will be represented, in fact. Now the beaten body of electors choose nothing, unless it be mortification, and are not represented at all. The Committee conclude by saying: "The argument for reform may be summed up in a few words. By it we will obtain cheap elections, just representation and contentment among the people. By it we will also secure able men in the people's House. By it our political system will be invigorated and purified. By it our country will take a bound of the future, that our Government shall be a blessing and not a curse; that our prosperity shall be enduring; that our free institutions shall not perish from the face of the earth."

THE INAUGURATION.

Official Programme of the Ceremonies—Arrivals of Visitors.

Special Dispatches to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, March 2.

The arrangements for the inauguration of Gen. GRANT on Thursday are now nearly complete. The Committee on Procession, under the instructions of the General Committee on Inauguration, unofficial ceremonies, on March 4, have arranged the procession as follows:

THE PROCESSION.

Grand Marshal and Aids.
Cavalry.
President and Vice-Pres't. President United States.
Seat elect.
Suite. Suite.
Committee of Arrangements, Senate and House.
Band.
Twelfth Infantry.
Band.
Forty-fourth Infantry.
Band.
United States Marines.
Battery United States Artillery.
Above under command of Col. Wallace, United States Army.
Volunteer Military Organizations.
Armed and uniformed.
Band.
Washington Grays.
Band.
Third Maryland Infantry.
Baltimore Fire Zouaves.
Butler Zouaves.
Albany Burgesses Corps.
Ex-Presidents and Vice-Presidents United States.
Supreme Court United States and their officers.
Court of Claims United States and their officers.
Supreme Court District of Columbia and their officers.
Senators, Senators elect and Ex-Senators.
Members of the House of Representatives, members elect and ex-members.
Foreign Ministers.
Corps Diplomatique.
Governors of States and Territories.
Governor elect and Ex-Governors.
National and Congressional Republican Committees.
National Soldiers' and Sailors' Republican Committee.
Corporate authorities of Washington and Georgetown.
Levy Court.
Board of Commissioners, Metropolitan Police.
Governors of States and Territories.
Soldiers of the war of 1812.
Soldiers of the Mexican war and Soldiers' Home.
Heads of Bureaus of Executive Departments.
Officers of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps.
Clergy.
Delegations from States and Territories.
Republican Clubs of the District of Columbia.
The Irish Brigade, Hon. John Rain.
German Turner Association.
Washington Turners.
Boys in Blue of the District of Columbia.
United States Marines, with the visitors in order of date of inauguration.
City of Washington Fire Department and visitors, in order of date of inauguration.

PRELIMINARY ARRANGEMENTS.

The escort of United States troops will form facing the Capitol, and will escort the President of the United States and the President and Vice-President elect, their suites, and the Committees of Arrangements of the Senate and House of Representatives.

At 10 A. M., March 4, the Deputy Marshals will be expected to report to the Grand Marshal at his office, No. 3 Pennsylvania avenue. At their appointed hour, a single gun from Dupont's Battery, under orders from Col. WALLACE, will announce to all that the President and President elect are ready to commence the march.

The Capitol will be approached from the south side. The escort of United States troops, save the cavalry, will pass entirely around the square east of the Capitol, and will report on Added north. Col. WALLACE has been notified that a Presidential salute of twenty-one guns is to be fired as soon as the President shall have taken the oath of office.

It will be noticed that, by this arrangement, the President of the United States will, on his return to the Executive Mansion, pass along the front of those who have had the honor to escort him to the Capitol. By 12 o'clock all will be over. When the escort shall have saluted the President at the Executive Mansion, Deputy Marshals will dismiss their organizations, and it is here stated that it is desirable that the Marshals may be present at 10 o'clock before the day of the inaugural. The Grand Marshal will wear his uniform of Major-General, with sash, badge and such other insignia of office of the day.

The crowd of visitors has increased immensely by the arrivals of to-day. Six heavy trains have arrived from New-York, and more are reported coming. The number to arrive to-morrow and Thursday morning will add vastly to the attendance here, which promises to equal, if it does not exceed, that of 1865. The chief feature about the visitors is the very large proportion who have come for personal enjoyment, the office-seekers being in a very decided minority. As a consequence, there will be a great pressure for two or three days, after which Washington will be again quite comfortable.

GOLD SPRING, Tuesday, March 2.

Gen. GRANT's son left West Point at 2 o'clock this afternoon for Washington, to attend the inauguration exercises.

BALTIMORE, Md., Tuesday, March 2.

Thousands are passing through this city to-day for Washington, of whom one-third are ladies of all ages. Quite a number of male colored citizens are on all the trains. Several fire companies passed through this morning, and the Eagle Zouaves, of Buffalo, passed through at 1 o'clock to-day.

FORTIETH CONGRESS.

THIRD SESSION.

SENATE....WASHINGTON, Tuesday, March 2.

The Senate met at 11 A. M.

Mr. NYE explained that his remarks yesterday in relation to the removal of the political disabilities of ASA ROGERS, Assistant Auditor of Virginia, had been made under the impression that Mr. ROGERS was the Auditor of the State. He had since received a letter from Mr. ROGERS, setting him right on the point, and stating that he (ROGERS) regarded Gov. WELLS as his friend.

EXECUTIVE BUSINESS.

Mr. SUMNER moved to proceed to the consideration of Executive business. Lost.

SENATORS' PAY.

Mr. MORTON moved to take up the joint resolution relating to the pay of the Senators from the lately reconstructed States, but Mr. TRUMBULL objected.

WISCONSIN LAND GRANTS.

Mr. HOWE called up the bill granting lands to the State of Wisconsin to aid in the construction of a breakwater, &c., in Sturgeon Bay. Passed.

ARMY APPROPRIATIONS.

The Senate then resumed the consideration of the Army Appropriation bill.

Mr. MORGAN asked the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations to yield the floor long enough to take up and pass the bill to prohibit secret sales of gold, but Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, declined to do so.

The pending amendment was that offered by Mr. SUMNER, providing for the payment of the claim of Massachusetts and Maine for the interest upon the advances made for the General Government in the war of 1812 and 1814.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.

After a brief discussion the bill was laid over, and the Senate took up the bill making appropriations for the legislative, executive, and judicial expenses of the Government for the current fiscal year.

Several amendments were reported by the Committee on Appropriations, and were agreed to.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, moved to strike out the clause providing that female clerks in the Departments shall receive equal pay with male clerks when they do equal work. He said the result of a previous increase of the compensation, and an increase of female clerks, had been to greatly multiply the number of applicants for such places, and predicted that if the increase now proposed were made it would result in the abandonment of the employment of female clerks altogether.

Messrs. POMEROY and TRUMBULL thought it just that clerks of both sexes doing equal work should receive equal pay.

Mr. FERRY took the same view.

Mr. HOWE said the reason why female clerks were not paid as much by the Government as male clerks was because, under the existing organization of society, there labor does not command anywhere as high pay as the labor of male clerks. This general equality could not be removed by raising the pay of the female clerks in the employ of the Government.

Mr. TRUMBULL read from the acts regulating the employment and pay of clerks in the Departments to show the discriminations made against females, and again urged the justice of paying them the same as males.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, feared that the effect of raising the pay of female clerks in the Government employ would be to create an antagonism here which would excite the envy of equally qualified but worse paid ladies elsewhere.

Mr. CRAGIN was opposed to raising any salaries at present, and in favor of reducing expenditures in every department of the Government.

Mr. CONKLING made an argument against raising the salaries of clerks, because they were large enough to command efficient and satisfactory service.

Mr. POMEROY insisted that in every case the same service should receive the same pay, whether performed by males or females, and said that if it were in his power he would turn out all the male-headed male clerks in the employ of the Government, and put females in their places.

Mr. MORRILL, of Vermont, moved to strike out the section. Lost by yeas 16, nays 24.

Mr. FERRY offered an amendment which was adopted, and which leaves the provision in this form: "The compensation of the female clerks employed in the several departments of the Government, and performing clerical duties, shall be the same as that of the male clerks of the same class, and female counters and copyists shall receive the same compensation as male counters and copyists performing the same description of service."

One of the amendments proposed by the Committee was to increase the salary of the Treasurer of the United States to $6,000. Several Senators opposed the increase.

Mr. SUMNER spoke of the great responsibility resting upon the Treasurer, and favored the increase.

Mr. ANTHONY said that to his own knowledge the present Treasurer had been urged to accept a position in New-York at $10,000 a year.

Mr. TRUMBULL denied that that was a good reason for increasing his salary. The salary was to be fixed for the office, and not for the individual. There were other officers in the employ of the Government who could make more money in private life, but the Government was not bound, therefore, to increase their pay.

Mr. NYE favored the amendment.

Mr. GRIMES opposed it.

The amendment was then rejected—yeas 19, nays 22.

Mr. SHERMAN moved an amendment, which was agreed to, providing that the Commissioner of Internal Revenue should not be required to give bonds. Mr. SHERMAN gave as a reason for this amendment under existing law, that the Commissioner does not have to receive any of the public money.

An amendment increasing the appropriation for salaries and expenses of Collectors, Assessors, Assistant Assessors, &c., from $6,000,000 to $8,000,000 was agreed to.

An amendment appropriating $8,000 to enable the Secretary of the Interior to fulfill the contract with Miss VINNIE REAM, for a statue of the late President LINCOLN, gave rise to some discussion.

Mr. SUMNER inquired of the Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations whether there was not some means of getting rid of the contract, and the obligation to pay an additional $8,000, for a statue which, when completed, Congress would probably be unwilling to place in the Capitol.

Mr. HOWARD was not quite satisfied that the Government was bound by contract to pay the $8,000 at this time. He did not profess to be a judge of statues, but he had examined the model for the purpose of the statue, and he did not think it at all like Mr. LINCOLN, and he felt confident Congress and the people would be dissatisfied with the statue when completed. He thought the work, so far as it had gone, a complete failure.

Mr. TRUMBULL said that the opinion of most of those who had seen the model, and who were competent to judge, was that it was a great success.

Mr. SUMNER again suggested, if possible, Congress could get rid of the obligation to pay the remainder of the sum contracted for, as he was quite satisfied that the statue would never be put in the Capitol.

Mr. NYE asked whether he had seen the model.

Mr. SUMNER—I have not; but I have heard of it.

Mr. NYE—It is an exhibition in this building, and I submit that the Senator has no right to criticise the model without taking the trouble to see it.

Mr. SUMNER—I have not seen it. I rest my criticism upon what I have heard and read about it. I opposed it from the beginning. The French have a saying that "it is bad to throw money out of window." That vote was to throw money out of the window. I wish we could get it back. The amendment was agreed to.

THE PUBLIC CREDIT BILL.

On motion of Mr. SHERMAN the Senate insisted upon its amendment to the bill to strengthen the public credit, and Mr. SHERMAN, MORTON and WILLIAMS were appointed a Committee of Conference on the part of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. STEWART the Senate insisted upon its amendment to the bill removing political disabilities, and Messrs. STEWART, SUMNER and HENDRICKS were appointed a Committee of Conference in regard to it.

DIPLOMATIC APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. SUMNER, from the Committee of Conference on the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, made a report which was agreed to.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.

The Legislative Appropriation bill being still under consideration, Mr. GRIMES moved to amend the amendment, which was agreed to, striking out the proposed increase of $2,000 for the salary of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and abolishing the office and reducing the number of clerks employed in the Navy Department, and providing that no clerks not provided for in the bill shall be appointed.

Mr. FERRY offered an amendment, which was agreed to, appropriating $11,000 to pave, with wood durable material, the walks in the Botanical Garden.

The Committee reported an amendment, which was laid over informally, authorizing the Secretary of the Treasury to receive on deposit at the United States Mint and its branches refined gold and silver bullion from the Assay Office, and in payment thereof to deliver to the parties making such deposits imported bars of such fineness and upon such terms and regulation as shall be prescribed by the Director of the Mint, subject to the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury.

Mr. WILLEY offered an amendment giving the Department clerks employed on ten per cent. increase upon their salaries.

Pending action upon it, the Senate, at 4:30, took a recess until 7:30 this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

Mr. WILSON called up the bill donating cannon to the Lincoln Monument Association of Springfield, Ill. Passed.

ALASKA FUR TRADE.

The bill to more effectually protect the fur trade of Alaska was amended and passed.

FOREIGN TELEGRAPHIC COMMUNICATION.

Mr. SUMNER called up the bill relating to telegraphic communication between the United States and foreign countries, being the bill reported by him from the Committee on Foreign Relations, Feb. 2.

Mr. SUMNER moved an amendment to the second section, the object of which is to protect the grant already made to the cable between Florida and Cuba, which was adopted, and the bill passed.

LEGISLATIVE APPROPRIATIONS.

The Legislative, Executive and Judicial Appropriation bill was then proceeded with.

Mr. FERRY moved an amendment appropriating $10,000 for the expense of investigating the cause of the Texas cattle disease, made and to be made under the supervision of the Department of Agriculture. Adopted.

Mr. HENDRICKS offered an amendment that no United States Marshal of the District of Columbia, in the settlement of his accounts, shall be charged with fees not collectable by due diligence. Adopted.

Mr. WILLEY had had a conversation with the Commissioner of Patents, who had told him that it was utterly impossible to carry on the business of the office with the reduced force provided for in the bill.

Mr. WILLEY then offered a number of amendments, the effect of which is to keep the present force in the Patent Office. Adopted.

A bill for provisions relative to the receiving, at the Mints, of deposits of refined gold and silver bullion, which was laid over this afternoon, was agreed to.

The question was then on the amendment of Mr. WHYTE, to give ten per cent additional compensation to the Government employes for the present and the last fiscal year.

Mr. MORRILL, of Maine, raised the point that the amendment was not in order, not having been recommended by any Committee of the Senate.

The Chair decided the point of order well taken, and ruled the amendment out.

THE TENURE-OF-OFFICE LAW.

Mr. MORTON moved as an additional section that the act regulating the tenure of certain civil offices be and the same is hereby repealed.

The Chair laid before the Senate a dispatch from Carson City, Nevada, to the effect that the Legislature had ratified the Constitutional Amendment.

Mr. FERRY said he was in favor of the repeal of the Tenure-of-Office act, but at this stage of the session he could not vote to place it on the Appropriation bill.

Mr. HOWARD made the point that the amendment of Mr. MORTON was out of order, not being germain to the matter under consideration.

The Chair decided that the amendment was in order, when Mr. HOWARD appealed from the decision of the Chair.

Mr. TRUMBULL, without indicating how he should vote, asked Mr. MORTON to withdraw the amendment, as it would lead to debate.

Mr. MORTON said the friends of the repeal did not intend to debate it. The vote could be taken in a few minutes, the Appropriation bill would not be endangered in the House, that body having already voted for the repeal by a large majority.

After some further discussion, Mr. HOWARD withdrew his appeal, and Mr. SUMNER moved as a substitute for the amendment of Mr. MORTON the modified bill reported from the Committee on Retrenchments.

Mr. TRUMBULL believed that the Tenure-of-Office bill should either be repealed or amended, but he could not countenance this attempt to put it on the Appropriation bill.

The question was then taken on the amendment of Mr. SUMNER, which was rejected—yeas 17, nays 23.

The question then recurred on the amendment of Mr. MORTON, which was rejected as follows:

YEAS—Messrs. Cole, Conness, Dixon, Drake, Grimes, Howe, Kelly, McDonald, Morgan, Morton, Osborn, Patterson, Ramsey, Robertson, Sherman, Tipton, Van Winkle, Vickers, Warner, Wilson—16.

NAYS—Messrs. Abbott, Anthony, Cameron, Chandler, Conkling, Corbett, Cragin, Ferry, Fessenden, Fowler, Harris, Howard, Howe, Morrill of Maine, Morrill of Vermont, Patterson of New-Hampshire, Pomeroy, Sawyer, Sprague, Stewart, Thayer, Trumbull, Wade, Willey, Williams, Wilson—26.

Mr. CAMERON said that although he voted nay, he felt very awkward about it.

Mr. HENDRICKS stated that he refrained from voting because he had paired off on political questions with Mr. YATES, who had gone home, but whom he supposed would vote with the majority of his party on this subject.

Mr. CONKLING, who at first had voted in the negative, asked to withdraw his vote, as he had forgotten that he had made some kind of vague arrangement to pair with Mr. BOOKSTIVER.

Mr. HOWARD objected to the withdrawal.

Mr. POMEROY, who had not responded when his name was called, said he had supposed he was paired with the Senator from Wisconsin, but he would now vote.

The Clerk then called on Mr. POMEROY, and he voted in the affirmative.

Mr. CONKLING—That will not do; the Senator votes the same way as the Senator from Wisconsin.

The Chair—Well, does the Senator from New-York withdraw his vote?

Mr. CONKLING—Yes, Sir, I prefer not to run any risk about it.

REPORTS OF HEADS OF DEPARTMENTS.

Mr. WILSON moved an amendment directing the heads of Departments to report at the opening of the Congress in December next, the number of clerks in each of their Departments, and what reduction can be made consistent with the requirements of the public service. Adopted.

PAY OF BONDED WAREHOUSE KEEPERS.

Mr. SPRAGUE moved an amendment that the proprietors of bonded warehouses shall hereafter pay the salaries of the storekeepers. Adopted.

THE EDUCATIONAL APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. HENDRICKS moved to strike out the appropriation for the Department of Education, and expressed his opinion that neither it nor the Department of Agriculture were of any use, and both should be abolished. The amendment was rejected. The bill was then passed, and now goes to the House for concurrence in the amendments.

THE POST OFFICE APPROPRIATIONS.

The Post Office Appropriation bill was then taken up.

Mr. WILSON offered, as an amendment, the bill previously introduced by him to establish an American line of steam ships between the United States and Europe. It was opposed by Messrs. CONKLING, GRIMES and others, and finally Mr. WILSON withdrew it, stating that he would take the earliest opportunity to offer it again, believing it to be the best provision yet offered for establishing a line of steamships to Europe.

Mr. CONKLING said that when the subject could come up again he would be prepared to present a better plan.

The Post Office Appropriation bill was then reported to the Senate and passed.

THE DEFICIENCY BILL.

The Deficiency Appropriation bill was then taken up. Several of the amendments reported by the Committee were agreed to, and at 10:45 the Senate was still considering the bill, the intention being to pass it before adjourning.

[At 1:45 the Senate was still in session.—ED. TIMES.]

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House met at 10 o'clock.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, from the Committee on Prince Edward's Island, made a report, which was ordered to be printed.

PUBLICATION OF DEBATES.

On motion of Mr. LAFLIN the Senate joint resolution, providing for the reporting and publishing of the debates of Congress, was taken from the Speaker's table and, without objection, passed. It leaves the reporting and publishing of the debates with the proprietors of the *Globe*.

NEW-YORK AND CINCINNATI BRIDGES.

On motion of Mr. CAREY the Senate joint resolution, giving the consent of the United States to the commencement of the New-York and Cincinnati bridges, was taken from the Speaker's table and passed.

PACIFIC RAILROAD LANDS.

On motion of Mr. PRICE the Senate joint resolution to authorize the transfer of lands granted to the Union Pacific Railway Company, E

GRIFFITH GAUNT.

Proceedings in the Action for Libel by Charles Reade Against the "Round Table."

The proceedings in the trial of the action for libel brought by Mr. CHARLES READE against CHARLES H. SWEITZER, editor and proprietor of the *Round Table*, were continued yesterday:

At the opening of the Court Mr. Conway said: If your Honor please, my opening was exposed that the jury should be impanelled with the novel of *Griffith Gaunt*. We have it in Philadelphia to procure a sufficient number of copies, as the last edition is nearly sold out; they have gone to Boston to procure them at least, and we now hand a copy to your Honor and to each gentleman of the jury.

His Honor—Yesterday you said it was not material.

Mr. Conway—We have been unable to obtain the witness I spoke of last night. He is still suffering from indisposition in Boston, and cannot come yet. We have, however, seven more witnesses to add to the testimony.

John Rose deposed: I am a printer in Pearl-st. Have I have been engaged since 1861 by Charles Mann until December last; I was with Mr. Gwynne; Nos. 16 and 18 Nassau-st; they printed the *Round Table*; the copy came from the office of that paper; was first set in the Typefounders' office; I have charge of the printing; I am responsible; we put to deal in all matters connected with the issue; that was Mr. O'Conway Gardner and Mr. Weiss; I have to deal with named supposed to be the proprietor; I have no recollection; he used to visit the office; I cannot say to the best of my knowledge; I have seen him; I cannot speak to the office in general; I was not there; I was employed in the office; I was foreman; I did not see him there; I was at other times it was added to the proof; I was not called upon to correct it; I had no other or the *Round Table*; I have no recollection; the matter of Griffith Gaunt; I have; I was employed in the printing; I was the whole work; I have seen the proof; I was not; I was employed in the *Round Table*; I have no recollection; I have seen Mr. Sweitzer; I have; I was employed by Mr. Sweitzer; I was; I was employed by Mr. Sweitzer; I was; I was employed by the proprietor of the *Round Table*; Mr. Gardner; I was employed in the office of the *Round Table*; I was; I was employed in the office of the *Round Table*; I was; I was employed in the office of the *Round Table*; I was

Harlem River Railroad. From this point down along the Harlem for about a mile and a half the land is very low and generally less level and flat until you reach the Bronx River, where it becomes the hilly and picturesque real estate which adorns the Westchester side of the Harlem Railroad. At the Bronx River (pronounced Brunx) Station, which is celebrated for its beautiful residences and the grandeur of scenery, the east side of Eleventh-avenue, the land rises very abruptly and presents a fine Gothic cottage, with the most magnificent landscape and water views for miles, and, in fact, the whole of the ground from the Bronx River station for the erection of villas. Although at present used only for pasture lands, it presents the appearance of a gem, and contains, here and there, some fine forest trees.

At the base of this hill the Boulevard turns southward, and runs parallel to the Harlem River and High Bridge, one Hundred and Fifty-fourth-street and Eleventh-avenue with the St. Nicholas Avenue. Owing to its nearness and the fact that it follows the water front along its entire route, passing through two parks on its way, on Fort Washington-avenue and Eleventh-avenue this drive must become very popular and its opening may be regarded as one of the most pleasant features that could be conferred on the inhabitants of the City. It commences at the foot of Fifty-third-street and Broadway, in Sugar-loaf Bayou, and terminates near the Central Park.

The Boulevard, as it is now in Broadway, runs through the valley, between the hills of Washington Heights and the Hudson River side, and Fort George of the Heights, River side, and extends to Spuyten Duyvil. Following its irregular contours, instead of a straight line, the Boulevard commences, instead to widen to 100 feet. At Inwood it is crossed by the Boulevard and Avenue, which will be extended to Fort Tryon, which may be expected to differ materially from the old one in character and appearance.

Most of the Blackwell's road the Commissioners have laid out four more new avenues, including the Fort George, which runs through a valley, which is bounded by a curve, which brings us to Fort George. The historical interest of this old earthwork is an its summit, which are still distinctly outlined, is considerable, from the fact of its being the last stronghold of the British after the defeat of the rebel troops were encamped on Fort Washington. On the other side of Fort George, we have a valley, which is bounded by the Hudson River. Although present, has appeared very little. It is even more varied and picturesque, and is well worth a visit.

On the right hand lies the Harlem River, a beautiful and picturesque stream, which, from Spuyten Duyvil, flows to the Bronx River, and is crossed by the High Bridge, while to the north stands the ancient Dutch church, which is the pride of Westchester County, dotted here and there with occasional villages, that enliven the scene with numerous signs of human habitation. Further on the right, the blue line of the Sound rides into the horizon, while the misty hills of Long Island form a suitable background to this lovely picture. This is one of the delicious enjoyments to those who combine themselves with following the public drives during their afternoon airings. Those who desire to visit Fort George will find it easy to easily reached by following the Tenth-avenue to the point where it has a gate, cut into the iron fence and leave, and their climbing the hill which rise abruptly for a few feet on the left hand side.

At the New-York end of the High Bridge, the reservoir that is to supply the Heights will tend greatly to improve the property in this vicinity, and make it still more desirable as a place of residence. The work, which is shortly to be completed, is situated on a portion of the well-known Junel property, and will be a fine granite structure. It is to be surrounded by a park, in the front of which Fort Tryon Park.

Besides the improvements already described, a number of less importance have been decided upon by the Commissioners. Most of these not already enumerated have an intimate connection with the Boulevard, tending greatly to the improvement of this section. They will not materially affect the other portions of the City. It is impossible, in this hasty glance at the "Far End" of our City, as it is and as it will be, to convey an adequate idea of its natural beauties, or to predict what it will become under the supervision of the Central Park Commissioners. That everything will be done with a view to the best interests of the general public, we are well assured by the statement of the Commissioners in their annual report. When the work that the Commissioners have undertaken shall have been completed, it is not too much to anticipate that the Heights section of the City will become the home of many of the most wealthy and aristocratic portion of our City.

The opening of a new section like the one above described, and the establishment of convenient means of access, such as broad and splendid carriage-ways, will be the signal for the erection of hundreds of splendid mansions, which will combine all the advantages of City and country, and as a consequence many of the now over-crowded portions of the City will be deserted for the more desirable them so make a change of their place of residence.

In but a very few years hence New-York will be a different City in size and appearance; the proposed improvements will have greatly enhanced the upper portion of the island will doubtless form one of the most delightful localities in the world.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

The directions of yesterday were the auction sales of the following-named real estate, to be located in Forest Grove, in Westchester County, N. Y.; Prospect Park into Brooklyn, &c. The following report gives the full particulars of the sales:

NEW-YORK.

By Muller, Willms & Co.

1 lot s. w. corner of 44th-st. and 9th-av., 25x100, E. Mason $10,000
1 lot fronting on 44th-st., adjoining above, 25x100, H. Mason 10,400
1 lot fronting on 9th-av., adjoining above, 25x100, H. J. Damson 17,000
1 lot fronting on 9th-av., adjoining above, 25x100, H. J. Damson 15,000
1 lot n. w. corner of 43d-st. and 9th-av., 25x100, H. Low 15,000
1 lot fronting 9th-av., adjoining above, 25x100, H. Low 11,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100, H. Low 10,600
1 lot s. e. of 44th-st., 100 ft. w. of 9th-av., 25x100, H. Mason 13,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100, H. Mason 13,200
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.5, D. P. Davison 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.5, M. Daly 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.5, M. Daly 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, W. W. Hunting-ton 9,100
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, M. Daly 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, R. Low 9,400
1 lot, n. e. cor. st., 100 ft. w. of 9th-av., 25x100.5, Mr. R. Roche 9,000
1 lot, s. e. cor. st., adjoining above, 25x100.4, W. Hunting-ton 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, W. W. Hunting-ton 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, W. W. Hunting-ton 9,700
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, H. Bowman 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, H. Bowman 9,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, J. Whitney 9,000
6 lots s. e. of 44th-st., 200 ft. w. of 9th-av., each 25 x100.4, J. Rittenhouse 14,000
1 lot adjoining above, same size, J. Terpen 14,000
1 lot adjoining above, same size, J. Earle 14,000
2 lots adjoining above, each 25x100.4, J. Turnbull 12,000
2 lots adjoining above, 25x100.4, E. M. Holly 11,500
2 lots adjoining above, 25x100.4, J. Turnbull 11,500
2 lots adjoining above, 25x100.4, E. M. McDonald 11,500
2 lots adjoining above, 25x100.4, Mr. Jessurian 11,500
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, understander his name, M. S. Connelly 8,500
1 lot fronting 10th-av., adjoining above, 25x100, J. Potter 8,000
1 lot fronting 10th-av., adjoining above, 25x100, J. Mayer 4,100
6 lots n. e. cor. st., 100 ft. w. of 9th-av., 25x100.4, Mr. Wright 13,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, J. E. Fairchild 11,000
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, W. Kennedy 10,100
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, Mr. Kennedy 10,100
1 lot adjoining above, 25x100.4, Mr. Kennedy 10,100
1 lot n. e. corner 43d-st. and 9th-av., 25.2x100, J. R. Smith 8,200
3 lots fronting 10th-av., adjoining above, 25x100, H. Leveridge 15,000
1 lot fronting 10th-av., adjoining above, 25x100, J. Dick, A. Dick, A. Dick, J. Dick, and J. Dick (in year), each 25x100.4, Mr. Jessurian ..... 14,700.

By Allen & Pruyn.

Three-story brick tenement house and lot No. 438 East 12th-st., between 1st and av. A., lot 20x100, Mr. Riley $6,200

FOREST GROVE, WESTCHESTER COUNTY.

By A. T. Bleecker, 59½ Broadway.

Plot No. 1, lots Nos. 1 and 2 and 128 and Wall-st., each 25x100.4, L. M. Bates $2,000
Plot No. 2, lots Nos. 181 and 182, each 25x100.4, adjoining, L. M. Bates 1,000
Plot No. 3, lots Nos. 183, 184, on Edgecomb, 25 x100.4, L. Lindhoff 1,100
Plot No. 4, lots Nos. 185 and 186, on Edgecomb, 25 x100.4, L. Lindhoff 1,000
Plot No. 5, lots Nos. 187 and 188, on Edgecomb, 25 x100.4, L. Lindhoff 1,000
Plot No. 6, lots Nos. 189, 190, 191 and 192 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 7, lots Nos. 193, 194, 195 and 196 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 8, lots Nos. 197, 198, 199 and 200, adjoining, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 9, lots Nos. 201, 202, 203 and 204 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 10, lots Nos. 205, 206, 207 and 208 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 11, lots Nos. 209, 210, 211 and 212 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 12, lots Nos. 213, 214, 215 and 216 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 13, lots Nos. 217, 218, 219 and 220 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 14, lots Nos. 221, 222, 223 and 224 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 15, lots Nos. 225, 226, 227 and 228 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 16, lots Nos. 229, 230, 231 and 232 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 17, lots Nos. 233, 234, 235 and 236 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 18, lots Nos. 237, 238, 239 and 240 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 19, lots Nos. 241, 242, 243 and 244 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 20, lots Nos. 245, 246, 247 and 248 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 21, lots Nos. 249, 250, 251 and 252 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 22, lots Nos. 253, 254, 255 and 256 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 23, lots Nos. 257, 258, 259 and 260 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 24, lots Nos. 261, 262, 263 and 264 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 25, lots Nos. 265, 266, 267 and 268 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 26, lots Nos. 269, 270, 271 and 272 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 27, lots Nos. 273, 274, 275 and 276 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
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Plot No. 30, lots Nos. 285, 286, 287 and 288 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 31, lots Nos. 289, 290, 291 and 292 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 32, lots Nos. 293, 294, 295 and 296 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
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Plot No. 51, lots Nos. 369, 370, 371 and 372 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
Plot No. 52, lots Nos. 373, 374, 375 and 376 st. street, each 25x100.4, Mr. Gaffney 1,000
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NEW-YORK, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 1869.

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ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
14th-st. and Irving-place.
FAUST. (Italian Opera.) Leading characters by Mlles. Kellogg, Mass. Cellini and Mr. Habelmann.

BOOTH'S THEATRE.
Sixth-av. corner of 23d-st.
ROMEO AND JULIET. Leading characters by Mr. Edwin Booth and Miss Mary McVicker.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Broadway, corner 30th-st.
MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING. Leading characters by Mr. Lester Wallack and Miss Rose Eytinge.

FRENCH THEATRE.
14th-St., near 6th-av.
MATINEE at 2 O'clock. GENEVIEVE. Leading characters by Mmes. Rose Bell and M. Currier.

BROUGHAM'S THEATRE.
24th-st., near 5th-av.
JENNY LIND and POCAHONTAS. Leading characters by Mr. Brougham and Miss Jennie Kimball.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
Broadway, between Prince and Houston-sts.
FORTY THIEVES. Leading characters by Miss Lydia Thompson and Mr. Beckett.

OLYMPIC THEATRE.
Broadway, between Houston and Bleecker-sts.
HUMPTY DUMPTY. Leading characters by Mr. Geo. L. Fox and Mlle. Laurent.
MATINEE at 1½ o'clock.

WAVERLEY THEATRE.
No. 720 Broadway.
LUCRETIA BORGIA. Leading characters by Miss Elise Holt and Mr. Marlowe.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
Broadway, near Broome-st.
THE FRENCH SPY. Leading character by Mlle. Zoe.

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND THEATRE.
Broadway, corner of 30th-st.
Afternoon and Evening—TICKET OF LEAVE MAN.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Bowery, near Canal-st.
FOOTSTEPS IN THE SNOW. VARIETIES, GYMNASTICS. By a powerful cast.

THE TAMMANY.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
GRAND COMBINATION OF MUSIC, PLAYS, PANTOMIMES, ACROBATIC FEATS, &c.

NEW-YORK CIRCUS.
14th-st., opposite Academy of Music.
EQUESTRIAN AND GYMNASTIC PERFORMANCES.
MATINEE at 2½ o'clock.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS.
No. 585 Broadway.
THE SIEGE OF THE BLONDES, (Burlesque.) NEGRO COMICALITIES, &c.

BRYANTS' MINSTREL HALL.
14th-st., near 3d-av.
SKYLOCK, (Burlesque.) VOCALISTS, HUMOURISTS, &c.

STEINWAY HALL.
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☞ Advertisements for the WEEKLY TIMES must be handed in before 10 o'clock this evening.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

In the House of Commons, on Wednesday, Mr. GLADSTONE made an able address on a motion for leave to introduce a bill for the Disestablishment of the Irish Church. Mr. DISRAELI responded briefly, when the bill was introduced and read a first time, to come up again on the 15th inst. The London *Times* says that the scheme for the Irish Church disestablishment is now an accomplished fact.

Telegraphic advices from Central Asia state the son of the dethroned Queen of Cabool had gained possession of two cities in Turkistan, and that RAHMAN KHAN had gone to join him. The garrison at Kohat, a town in Cabool, had been surprised by the natives, when the British lost 300 men killed and wounded.

CUBA.

A report was circulated in Havana yesterday that the political prisoners will be sent to the Island of Fernando Po, and a guard of volunteers was being enlisted. FRANCISCO HERNANDEZ, Commander of Cavalry at Pinar del Rio, had been arrested on a charge of disloyalty. Three engagements had taken place between the troops under Col. VALZEO with the insurgents, the latter being defeated, although they had burned several plantations.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday, Mr. SUMNER's amendment to the Army Appropriation bill was briefly considered and laid over without result. The appropriations for legislative, executive and judicial expenses of the Government were also considered, and several amendments agreed to. The sections in the bill to increase the pay of female clerks in the Departments and the salary of the United States Treasurer were rejected. An appropriation of $5,000 was made for the statue of Mr. LINCOLN, by Miss VINNIE REAM. At the evening session, the bill relative to telegraphic communication between the United States and foreign countries was passed. An appropriation was made to cover the expenses of investigating the Texas cattle disease. The ratification of the Constitutional Amendment by the Nevada Legislature was announced officially. The Tenure-of-Office bill came up and received considerable discussion on the proposed repeal of the act, Mr. SUMNER's amendment being rejected by a two-third vote. Mr. MORTON's amendment was also rejected. After debate the bill was defeated. At 1:45 the Senate was still in session.

In the House the joint resolution providing that the debates of Congress be reported and printed by the *Globe* newspaper was passed. The bill giving the assent of the United States for the construction of the Cincinnati and New-York bridges was passed. The East River Bridge bill was also passed and sent to the President for signature. On motion Committees of Conference were appointed on the National Currency, Customs, Fines, Public Credit, and Indian Appropriation bills. The Iowa war claims were rejected. The appropriations for the Boston and New-York Post Offices were passed. An appropriation was made for the San Francisco Mint. Speaker COLFAX announced that he would offer his resignation to-day. The business on the Speaker's table was taken up, and a large number of bills passed, or amendments by the Senate concurred in. At the evening session another batch of bills was taken up and passed.

GENERAL.

An extensive fire occurred yesterday morning at Hartford, Conn., when the *Times* newspaper establishment was entirely destroyed, together with considerable other property. The aggregate loss was about $60,000, only partially covered by insurance. The *Times* does not suspend publication, the paper being printed at the *Courant* office.

In October last the steamer *Hooper* was proceeding to Little Rock, Ark., with arms for the Governor of that State, when she was seized by Tennessee rebels and the arms thrown overboard. The rebels boarded the *Hooper* from the tug *Nettie Jones*, which they had seized for the purpose. A few days since as the *Nettie Jones* was going up the Arkansas River she was boarded by a United States Marshal, who seized her by virtue of an order of the United States Court, wherein she had been libeled for $100,000 for the seizure and detention of the *Hooper*. The crew of the *Nettie Jones*, with the exception of the Captain, who escaped, were taken to Little Rock, heavily ironed, by a squad of militia.

The Orders of St. Michael and St. George has just been conferred upon Sir FRANCIS HINCKS, a British civil officer who has recently been on duty in Canada. Sir FRANCIS was formerly Governor of British Guiana, but was recently transferred to Canada. He is now about to return to England, his successor having been appointed.

The case of KIMBERLY BROS. vs. Gen. BUTLER was called in the Superior Court of Baltimore on Monday, when a motion was made to take the case to the United States Circuit Court, in accordance with a new law of Congress. The amount of damages claimed by the plaintiffs for Gen. BUTLER's treatment of them in the army is $17,000.

The trial of JAMES GRANT, for the murder of H. RIVES POLLARD, was commenced in Richmond on Monday, a jury having been impanneled during the previous week. MARSHALL HANNA, business partner of Mr. POLLARD, who was with him at the time he was shot, was the first witness examined. He related the incidents of the murder substantially as already printed. There was an attempt made by counsel to extract from him the details of a conversation he had with Mr. POLLARD relative to the printed articles which gave such offence to young GRANT, but it was ruled out. He testified that Mr. POLLARD was armed at the time he was killed with a six-shooting revolver and two Derringer pistols. The defence took exceptions to a great many questions that were asked and admitted.

The case of the State vs. GEORGE D. WISE and JOHN S. WISE, indicted for assaulting EDWARD A. POLLARD, removed from the Criminal Court of Baltimore, was settled on Monday in the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, at Towsontown, Md., by the State's Attorney, Wm. S. KERCH, Esq., on payment of costs by the defendants. Mr. KERCH stated to the Court that he had received from Mr. POLLARD a letter, saying that he did not desire to prosecute, and that he hoped the Messrs. WISE would not be prosecuted, all difficulties between him and them having been amicably arranged.

WILLIAM WILSON, WILLIAM WELLS, FRANK ROUNDS and GEORGE BAILEY, who in March last murdered the Captain and mate of an oyster schooner in the Chesapeake River, are to be hanged on Friday next, at Princess Ann, Md. They are all negroes.

The Constitutional Amendment was adopted yesterday in the Missouri Legislature, by a vote of 79 to 30 in the House, and 23 to 9 in the Senate.

An association has been formed in St. Louis for the purpose of securing the erection of a bronze equestrian statue of Gen. LYON, killed at Wilson's Creek in 1861.

An emigrant train collided yesterday morning with a freight train on the Hudson River Railroad, near Tivoli, when one of the locomotives and several cars were destroyed. Four persons were injured, one being Rev. ABRAHAM SCHENKART, of the Catharine-street Synagogue, in this City. Travel was resumed on the road after a few hours delay.

Hon. JOHN MCGRAW, of Ithaca, will, at his own expense, build the central building of Cornell University. It will be elaborate in its design, and will not cost less than $50,000. President WHITE is now busy upon the plans and specifications of the building. Miss MCGRAW presented to the University a set of chimes, which are among the finest in the country.

E. W. DURIN, Paymaster, and Lieut. SAMUEL PERRY, of the regular army, died last week, the former at Mansfield, Ohio, the latter at McKeesport.

A number of the friends of Capt. WIRZ have made arrangements for a heavy and costly monument to be placed over his remains. The monument will probably be made in Baltimore.

The bark *Hala Frank*, of Boston, from Buenos Ayres, foundered at sea on the 26th ult. Her crew arrived yesterday at Boston.

J. FRANK STEVENS, for many years chief operator in the Cincinnati Western Union Telegraph office, died yesterday of consumption.

Our mail news from Cuba is dated Feb. 23, and is later by one day than that already printed. Our correspondent reports the City of Havana quiet, and supplies particulars of recent engagements in the Island, and of the burning of Bayamo. A new schedule of export duties had been determined upon. It will be found elsewhere.

It is uncertood that the President has directed pardons to be issued for SPANGLER and ARNOLD, now imprisoned at the Dry Tortugas for complicity in the assassination of Mr. LINCOLN. It is intimated that the President will also pardon GARRAWAY LEMAR, who was convicted by a Military Commission of trying to steal $20,000 worth of cotton, which had been seized by the Government. He was sentenced to five years' imprisonment, and to pay a fine of $25,000.

The Assembly Committee on Contested Elections, sat yesterday at the Metropolitan Hotel, in secret session, Mr. W. H. HEGEMAN being in the chair. Testimony was taken in the case of MCLEOD against HALPIN, to the effect that much "repeating" was done, that lights were extinguished at the polls, that ballot boxes were upset, and ballots irretrievably mixed. In the evening a session was held at No. 598 Grand-street, in relation to the ZIMMER vs. CAMPBELL case, the testimony upon which was closed. It will be argued in the Legislature on the 10th inst.

The Board of Directors of the Vessel-owners' and Captains' Association of the Port of New-York met yesterday, and transacted important business as to Hell Gate and Sandy Hook pilotage, and kindred matters affecting the commerce of this City.

The Legislative Committee continued their investigation of the gas companies at the St. Nicholas Hotel yesterday. The Presidents of the New-York, Metropolitan and Harlem Companies were examined, and the Committee adjourned till 10 A. M. to-day.

Cotton, Flour, Molasses, Petroleum and Sugars were quoted cheaper yesterday on a very moderate trade. Corn, Oats, Pork and Lard were in more request and firmer in price. The Freight market was depressed and lower.

The South and Gen. Grant.

The Southern Republican members of Congress who called upon Gen. GRANT to "assure him of the hearty support of the loyal people" of their section, elicited nothing that should shake the popular faith in his desire to perfect the work of reconstruction in a broad and catholic spirit. The fierce partisan will find nothing in the published reports of the interview to encourage hopes of harshness and proscription. To the essential principles of the Congressional policy Gen. GRANT has shown that he is honestly and heartily committed. He will take care that the national authority is respected and its laws obeyed. He will place the district commands in the hands of soldiers whose fidelity to duty will be tempered with generosity and discretion. The KUKLUX and their abettors will soon be taught the perils of ruffianism. The whole influence of the Government will, for the first time, be exerted on the side of the reconstructed organizations, and in furtherance of whatever remains to be done to restore order and harmony throughout the South.

We do not understand the Republican delegation to have called in the exclusive interests of party. The reference of the spokesman, Mr. WHITTEMORE, to the good example set by Gen. SICKLES in South Carolina, indicates a liberality which we would gladly believe to be general. For Gen. SICKLES was one of the first of the District Commanders to perceive the necessity of removing political disabilities as a means of restoring to public usefulness the best men of the State. His administration was a happy blending of kindness with strength—a combination which, while securing respect for law, commanded the good-will and even the cooperation of all parties. If, therefore, the Southern members are prepared, as they declare, to take the course of Gen. SICKLES in South Carolina as a model for the guidance of Military Commanders in the unreconstructed States, there is every reason to rejoice in their liberality. They are more tolerant and more just than Northern extremists who presume to speak in their behalf.

The feeling of confidence in Gen. GRANT is not confined to Republicans. There has been something more than a tacit acquiescence in his election by a large proportion of those of the Southern people who originally preferred his opponent. The prevailing characteristic of the Southern Press now is moderation. The violent journals do not thrive. The truculent *Mercury* of Charleston perished for lack of support, and the inattention from which it suffered seems to await the few prominent politicians who cultivate its spirit. The South is no longer belligerent even in its talk. It has accepted the situation with apparent good faith, and the earnestness with which it is applying its energies to material development betokens reliance upon other than partisan agencies.

This improved condition of things is only in part the result of the determination displayed by the North last November to enforce the policy of Congress. It proceeds in no small degree from confidence in the fairness and magnanimity of Gen. GRANT. His known persistency and firmness may not have been without an effect. They may have quieted some disturbing tendencies and allayed much of the irritation which Mr. JOHNSON's unfortunate course was calculated to excite. But, after all, we believe that the real secret of Gen. GRANT's influence at the South is his contempt for the arts of partisanship and his known disposition to foster friendly relations between North and South. None imputes to him laxness where the law is concerned. None suspects him of indifference to the principles to which Congress has given expression. But his treatment of LEE, the generous opinions communicated to Congress, and his known anxiety to heal the wounds of war, have contributed to a general reliance on the part of the South in the moderation and equity of his action as President. The support he has more recently accorded to the Virginia compromise movement, and his personal intervention to arrest extreme measures against the Georgia Representatives, are circumstances which will not diminish the confidence of the South in the policy of his Administration.

It does not follow, however, that the South should be, or beneficially can be, represented in the Cabinet. The case would be different if it were possible to select a man whose fitness and fidelity the entire South would attest. A Southern Secretary would then be desirable. But such a man is not to be found. The popular sensitiveness is yet too great to make it expedient to take a prominent partisan from that section; and the appointment of a non-partisan would be followed by an outcry that would go far toward destroying his usefulness. From this dilemma there is no escape except by limiting representation in the Cabinet to sections unaffected by the feverish excitement of reconstruction. The interests of the South will not suffer from the exclusion, nor will the rights or influence of the consistently loyal among its people be thereby impaired. On the contrary, genuine good feeling will be more likely to be promoted, and that is the first requisite of peace.

Congressional Courtesies—A Marked Improvement.

Ordinarily, the last weeks of a session of Congress are marked by pretty sharp skirmishes, and even decorous members are sometimes tempted to indulge in parting personalities. But the expiring Congressional session has been, upon the whole, unusually free from such exchanges of courtesies, and though there is still a chance for a few farewell fights before bidding the affectionate adieu, yet the prevalent language this session has not been bedlingerent, and, still less, "billingsgate."

Last week, to be sure, was somewhat "spicy." There was, for example, in the Senate, the Davis-Ashley tiff on "chucklheads" and "interlopers;" and, in the House, the Chanler-Butler exchange, the Chanler-Colfax quarrel and the Chanler-Mullins debate, in which last the two gentlemen compared each other to "nibbling ducks," to "rotten cores," to "long-eared stock," to "Indian ponies" and "Tennessee mules." Again, we had the army debate enlivened by the witty personalities of Gen. BUTLER, who declared that "old age in the army was voracious," and by those of Mr. WINDOM, who ridiculed officers who have grown gray in the service because "they never died or resigned."

Take even the Windom-Logan passage-at-arms the other day, on the subject of "clowns." At most, it is only the rudimentary retort of *tu quoque*, or "you're another," transferred from the nursery or the playground to the intellectual arena of Congress. Mr. WINDOM politely suggested that Mr. LOGAN would make a good clown; whereupon Mr. LOGAN retorted that Mr. WINDOM would make a still better clown, and "his services could be got cheap;" whereupon Mr. WINDOM replied, "we want you;" whereupon Gen. LOGAN rejoined that "there is not an Indian squaw in the whole SIOUX camp that has not better manners than the delegate from Dakota;" whereupon there was "laughter," and "the Committee rose."

Now, we say, compare these mild tournaments with the fierce frays of last session,—these comparatively harmless personalities with the fish-stall filth and gutter mud flung in such a debate, for example, as that between Messrs. DONNELLY and WASHBURNE. What are such epithets as "clown," "chucklehead," or "rotten core," what such as "nibbling duck" (rather a term of endearment) or "long-eared stock," what "Tennessee mule" or "Indian pony," nay, or "Indian squaw," contrasted with the words "blackguard," "sneaker" and "thief" which marked the Alta Vela debate of last session; or the word "dog," which made the point of another discussion; or the allusions to "fistulency," "vermifuge," and "carminative balsam" in a third; or the debates on "crocodile tears" and "swill-milk policy;" or the Butler-Bingham debate on "bottled Generals," who were "fed with a spoon;" or the Price-Julian debate; or accusations of being "a minister of the Gospel and Brigadier-General;" or the Logan debate on "whisky stills"—or any others of a dozen we could easily fish up, did it pay the trouble, from that mere of oblivion, the *Globe*?

Merely to mention these will show the advance in amenity which has marked this present session of Congress. Taking it altogether—Holbrook debate and all—it has been comparatively courteous. Let us hope this gratifying improvement will be continued.

More New State Geography—Peninsular Consolidations.

The map-makers must be in an agony of suspense just now. Every month brings some new project of State union or State division. Texas has divided itself, and Tennessee threatens to do as much, while the three peninsulas of Delaware, Florida and Michigan are thinking both of dividing and of reuniting to States adjoining.

The Delaware project is the latest among proposed peninsular consolidations. It contemplates forming, as we understand, a new State, to include all the peninsula lying between Chesapeake Bay and the Ocean, comprising all of Delaware, Eastern Maryland, and the two Virginia counties of Accomac and Northampton which tip the peninsula. The difficulties in effecting this consolidation are political, while its geographical proprieties are evident. Delaware, no doubt, would like to absorb the peninsular territory, which would bring her more than double and nearly treble her present domains; and the airs of superiority she would then give herself over poor little Rhode Island, would be astonishing. Little Rhody might be forced in sheer self-defence to annex Connecticut or Massachusetts.

Meanwhile, two other peninsular projects are progressing rapidly. That is to say, the Wisconsin Senate has already given assent to the formation of a new peninsular State, (to be called probably Superior or Ontonagon,) out of Northern Wisconsin and Michigan, while that of the Assembly, and of the Michigan Legislature, and then of Congress are said to be probable. In the Florida Peninsula, progress is making to join the Western part of the State to Alabama; and we would suggest that the best thing for the Eastern part will be to return the compliment forthwith by joining itself to Georgia. In that way the internal brawls of the little State could be settled off-hand.

It may be suggested that Delaware could not do better than to join Maryland, taking the two odd counties of Virginia with her. But Delaware is one of the original thirteen States, and we must not lose their identity—though we have often divided off portions of them—nor even their names. We want "thirteen stripes" on our flag still—"not a stripe," as WEBSTER said, "erased or polluted." So, as the mountain of Delaware cannot go to the Mahomet of Maryland, the Maryland Mahomet should go to the mountain,—taking along with it, as we have said, the two trans-Chesapeake counties of Virginia, together with the disputed oyster-beds, and, if need be, Ex-Gov. WISE.

Our Ambiguous Murder Law and its Effect upon Juries.

We copied yesterday a remarkable paragraph from the *Daily Star* to the effect that DONATO MAGALDO, the Italian who was recently convicted of murder in the second degree, and who subsequently attempted to kill himself while on the way to Sing Sing, would, doubtless, have been set at liberty in the course of a few weeks, in consequence of a variance between the verdict of the jury who tried him and the law, bearing upon the circumstances of his case, if he had quietly submitted to his fate. The grounds for this strange assertion were stated to be a recent decision of the General Term of the Supreme Court, declaring that homicide is murder in the second degree only when the murderer does the deed while engaged in the commission of a felony. In MAGALDO's case such a state of things did not exist, and so Judge BARNARD charged the jury, advising them that they must convict the accused either of murder in the first degree, or else of one of the four grades of manslaughter. The jury, however, in the face of the law as explained by the Court, came to the determination that murder in the second degree had been committed, and so rendered their verdict.

There is no doubt that MAGALDO, under these circumstances, has a good plea upon which to have an appeal for a new trial, and very little reason to suppose that if the matter should again be heard he would be proved guilty of any offence. He would probably escape scot free in consequence of the disappearance of the principal witness for the prosecution, who, at the conclusion of the trial, was liberated from his forcible duress at the House of Detention.

The fact is that MAGALDO's case is a type of at least a score of others where prisoners are now in confinement at Sing Sing who have been convicted upon a strained interpretation of a somewhat ambiguous law. We may instance the case of YATES, who, six years ago, was sentenced for twenty years for killing a policeman, and for whose release a motion will soon be argued at the General Term of the Supreme Court, upon the plea that the verdict was contrary to the evidence and the definition by the Court of the law of murder. This case is to be regarded as a test, and if the point shall be settled in favor of the prisoner we may look for the opening of the prison doors for a large number of other murderers who are confined under similar circumstances.

The difficulty in all these cases is directly traceable to the fact that the Legislatures of 1860 and 1862 tampered with the law regarding murder, classing the crime in two degrees, and leaving the statutes so loosely worded that the Courts, until very lately, were unable to determine what the second degree of murder might be. According to the statute bearing upon the subject the punishment for murder in the first degree is hanging; and for murder in the second degree imprisonment for ten years, or for life, in the discretion of the Court. The practical result of introducing such a distinction has been that jurors, influenced by their unwillingness to unite in a capital conviction, have resorted to compromises, and, forgetful of their oaths, have usually brought in verdicts of conviction for the second degree of the crime.

The case about to be tested will be seen at a glance to be of the gravest importance. Upon its decision hangs the question whether our statute books are still longer to be disgraced by an absurd law regarding the crime of murder, or whether the simplicity of the old definition shall be restored.

The War in New-Zealand.

According to the latest accounts from New-Zealand, the British troops lost no time in making reprisals for the fearful massacre recently committed by the natives at Poverty Bay. Ever since the supposed suppression of the native rebellion, some three or four years ago, it has been known that the Hau-Haus, a blood-thirsty and fanatical sect among the Maories, were still plotting against the lives of the frontier settlers; but, with culpable carelessness, the latter seem to have neglected every reasonable measure of precaution. When the English royal troops were withdrawn, with the exception of one regiment, the settlers took no measures to organize the militia which they had undertaken to raise, and the outbreak in November last seems to have taken them completely by surprise. The Hau-Hau leader commenced hostilities early in the month, compelled the colonial forces opposed to him to retreat, and finally, with 400 men surprised a pah, or palisaded intrenchment, from which he repulsed nearly an equal number of Europeans and friendly natives, the assailants losing their commander, and with great difficulty rescuing his corpse from the tomahawks of the savages. Then came the Poverty Bay affair, in which nearly every white man, woman, and child in the settlement was put to death by a band of 200 Hau-Haus, who rode into it in the dead of night, in many cases killing their helpless victims in bed. After this, the war seems to have been not unnaturally taken up by the colonial authorities in a spirit of extermination, as far, at least, as regarded the Hau-Haus, and preparations were made on the largest scale that the revenues of the colonists admitted of. Now, at length, their efforts appear to have been successful, and a decided victory has been achieved with inconsiderable loss—ninety Maories killed and wounded, with a loss of only three wounded Europeans. It is clear that in this case somewhat more generalship must have been exhibited by the British commander than has been customary in New-Zealand wars. If the Maories had not been caught at a disadvantage, they would never have allowed their foes to gain such a bloodless victory. Behind intrenchments, they have more than once proved a match for fully their own number of British troops.

It is to be hoped that, while the whites, both British and colonial, will vigorously follow up their success against the Hau-Haus, or irreclaimable savages, they will do their best to abstain from needless or indiscriminate slaughter, and that, if possible, the great problem as to whether a race like the Maori can be saved from extinction in the face of advancing civilization, may be solved in the affirmative. The English in New-Zealand have much the same difficulties to deal with, though on a smaller scale, that we have on the Plains. It remains to be seen how far they will be successful in dealing with them.

Jury Trials in the District Courts of this City.

Jury trials in our inferior Courts in this City are in a very doubtful situation just at present, and the matter is one to which the attention of the Legislature should be at once directed, in order that the present difficulty in the law may be speedily removed. The situation in the case is this: Ever since 1813 the Justices' Courts, of which our present District Courts are successors, have had juries of six instead of twelve men, and no one until recently has thought of there being any difficulty about it. But some one, we presume it was some defendant's lawyer who did not want to have his case tried, bringing to mind the decisions which the Courts have made that a "jury" is composed of twelve men, according to our law, having demanded a jury trial, objected to trying with only six men instead of twelve. That seems to have set the other lawyers and the judges to examining into the question and into the right to try causes before a jury of six. They found that the Constitution of 1847 declared that "the trial by jury in all cases in which it has been heretofore used shall remain inviolate forever." This raised at once the question what were the cases in which this trial by jury, *i. e.*, by twelve men, had been theretofore used, and it was found that in the Justices' Courts juries of six had been used since 1813, as we said before. But it also appeared that those Courts, when the Constitution was adopted, had jurisdiction to try causes involving not more than $50, while at present the jurisdiction of our District Courts extends to causes involving $250. The conclusion which the Judges came to was that for all causes involving more than $50 a jury of twelve men was necessary, if a jury was wanted at all, and that such cases, if commenced in the District Courts, could not be tried there.

As to the proper course to be pursued in such cases, as we understand it, the Judges do not exactly agree. Judge LOEW, in an opinion published a week or so ago in our columns, held that the party who wanted a jury in such a case must give an undertaking and remove it to the Court of Common Pleas, whereas Judge LAKE, in a decision recently made, has held, as we understand, that nothing whatever can be done in such a case.

Thus far there have been no decisions of any of the higher Courts on the question. It will probably be brought before them, but there is reason enough in this view of the law to make it quite likely that the Judges of the Supreme Court will agree with the Judges of the District Courts. Provision has been made for the difficulty in the new Constitution, but till that is adopted some remedy ought to be provided, and the Legislature cannot spend a little portion of their hundred days better than in curing this difficulty. Let them provide at once for the transfer of all such cases to the Marine Court, or some of the higher Courts. It will in any event cause delay, and thus be a hardship to many persons who have small amounts due them, which it was intended that they should be able to collect speedily. But that course will at least take the cases out of the dead look in which many of them are at present. It would be well for the Judges of the District Courts to draw a proper bill and send it up to Albany. We presume there would be little difficulty in securing its passage.

MINOR TOPICS.

There will be attempts to-day, as usual at the close of a session, to push corrupt and wasteful jobs through Congress, under a variety of guises and ways. If President JOHNSON would do a parting service to his country, he will keep his eye on these jobs, and vote them, as far as possible. He can do a great deal of good within the next twenty-four hours.

Busily and hastily, Congress was at work yesterday, and in the afternoon the House resolved to hold session through the night. Speaker COLFAX made a statement of public business, showing that the House was much ahead of the Senate.

At noon to-morrow, the power of ANDREW JOHNSON will end, and his stormy Administration will pass into history. The warlike Presidency of Mr. LINCOLN hardly agitated the country more than that of Mr. JOHNSON has done. But now at last, we trust, we have reached the days of peace, and prosperity, and glory.

We warn all of our contemporaries not to begin any of their editorial articles to-morrow morning by saying, "The King is dead—long live the King." We know the temptation is great, but it can be avoided by a determined resolution.

The Prime Minister of England has brought before Parliament the great measure of his party, the measure on which his Administration was elected, and on which its power will be tested,—the bill for the disestablishment of the Irish Church. In its support the House was addressed by Mr. GLADSTONE, to whom Mr. DISRAELI replied.

A Conference Committee was yesterday ordered on SCHENCK's bill about the payment of the public debt. It is earnestly to be hoped that an agreement will be reached, and that both Houses will take affirmative action on the measure to-day. And then, if President JOHNSON wishes to repudiate the foolish proposition in his last annual Message, attacking the public credit, let him sign the bill at once.

One of the very latest reports in inside political circles is that GRANT's Secretary of the Treasury will be taken from the same State as Secretary MCCULLOCH came from, and that if the offer is accepted by the gentleman to whom GRANT will make it, there will be a vacancy in the Senate from Indiana.

How much is added to the intrinsic credibility of a rumor by the fact of its being "generally believed." The most incredible statements are constantly sent from Washington with the assurance that they are *generally believed*. But unless "*generally*" has the means of knowing something about what it believes, we don't see that it can be worth quoting.

The bill to establish a bridge across the East River, between the cities of Brooklyn and New-York, became a law yesterday—that is, (to take an Irish bull by the tail,) if the President please to sign it to-day.

It seems that Mr. MORRIS, of Illinois, has declined a Cabinet appointment, because the salary does not cover the expense of living in Washington. But how did he happen to know that he got an appointment, when GRANT said that none of his Cabinet officers should know till their names were sent to the Senate? Who knows that he knew?

Prof. HAMILTON has a better system of training horses than BARRY's—and it is certainly very simple and easily understood by any one—man or horse. It is throwing down mainly. The animal is hampered, as to his head, his fore-leg and his cropper, with rope-nooses and rings, and if he loses his temper, is thrown down and rests his head upon the lap of earth. After a little more of that sort, he is a changed horse. This is the sort of training which gave Jack Bunsby all his knowledge and cleverness; for, we are told that "he fell down in his time more than any other man."

We Americans must study the Chinese modes of government if we would improve the public service. Mr. JENCKES has borrowed from them his idea of his Civil Service bill, and the translations we yesterday made from the *Imperial Gazette* (Pekin) now deserve public consideration. It appears, among other things, that the "Censor, YUEN, on his knees," presented a memorial setting forth the corruption of the public service from the appointment of incompetent and uneducated men as Mayors and Sub-Prefects, and, said he:

"I recommend, therefore, that your Majesty command the Provincial Viceroys to subject the class of officials to a public examination, requiring each to compose one literary essay and one legal decision, as a test of ability. If they expose their ignorance, let them be dismissed from office, retaining merely the empty decorations of their purchased rank."

An Imperial order was at once issued directing the execution of this programme. What would our functionaries say to the application of such a test? Probably Mayor OAKEY HALL could compose a "literary essay and a legal decision," but what sort of a show would our Aldermen make in either of those directions? Probably Gov. HOFFMAN could get up a literary essay, as he certainly could write a legal decision, but what sort of literary display could the members of the Legislature make? Probably Gen. GRANT could compose a good literary essay and legal decision, but how about the members of Congress? How about the internal revenue officers and the diplomatic and consular functionaries? How about Collector SMYTHE or Sheriff O'BRIEN, or the high and mighty personages, who are now applying for Cabinet appointments? How?

Persistent efforts are being made to show that President GRANT will adopt very high-handed measures toward England in reference to the *Alabama* claims. Those statements are entirely gratuitous and unauthorized. GRANT's motto, "Let us have peace," applies to all the relations of the Government, and he is the last man to plunge the country into difficulties that may easily be avoided by negotiation. He may not be satisfied with the Johnson-Clarendon Convention in all particulars; but it is not therefore to be supposed that two Liberal Administrations, such as now hold power in England and America, are incapable of arriving at terms of settlement. Nor is it true that the people of this country are furious for war with England on account of the *Alabama* claims. We do not desire to be compelled again to raise the army which has now been disbanded. We do not desire to resume the slaughters and horrors of the past as a means of settling a question that is of comparatively little account to us. We do not desire to double our present terrific debt, or to bankrupt the country, or to tax the life out of the people, as a means of enforcing the payment of a few millions of dollars. We expect to see negotiations resumed by the next Administration, and we expect to see them terminated without the shedding of a drop of human blood.

It seems now to be settled by those people who are able to settle everything in advance, that New-York shall have one member of the Cabinet—say the Treasury; that New-England shall have one member—say the State Department; that Pennsylvania shall have one member—say the War Department; that the Southern States should have a member—say the Attorney-General; that the Pacific Coast wants a member—say the Postmaster-General; that Nebraska wants a place—say the Interior Department; and that the Navy Department shall go to the Navy. But we expect to see Gen. GRANT break all the slates that have been made up for him.

Judge BEDFORD has done well to call the attention of the Legislature to the necessity of taking action toward the simplification of criminal procedure before the Courts by the adoption of the "Penal Code of the State of New-York," which was prepared four years ago by a Commission appointed by the Legislature. The Commissioners were among the ablest and clearest judicial intellects of this State, and their work is one of the noblest monuments to law and justice now in existence. There is no doubt of the truth of Judge BEDFORD's remark, that its adoption would remove many impediments now standing in the way of the administration of the most delicate branch of law—criminal jurisprudence. For three years the authority of the Legislature has been sought for the adoption of this work, and they could give no greater assistance to the administration of justice in this City than by its prompt passage into law during the present session.

The extraordinary prevalence of crime in the State of Indiana, (as shown in the Indiana letter we published yesterday,) ought to lead the authorities there to make something like a serious attempt to enforce the laws. Twenty-one murders in ten days in a State whose population does not exceed that of New-York and Brooklyn, is something frightful, and surpasses the experience of any of the Southern States—even Texas itself. In ten of these cases only were the murderers arrested; in five others they were known to the authorities, but escaped, and in six cases the assassins are not known. If the authorities of Indiana do not enforce the laws, assassination will soon be the ordinary mode of death for Hoosiers.

Perhaps it is nothing wonderful to be told that the free and easy City of New-York is the most careless community in the Union on the subject of small-pox and vaccination. Dr. HARRIS, the Sanitary Superintendent, has given a proper warning on the subject, drawing attention to the fact that from seven to twenty per cent. of our population are unvaccinated, the neglect existing in those crowded unhealthy parts of the City in which it is likely to become most deadly. The plan of sending physicians to such places, and obliging children and others to be vaccinated, is a direct and simple one, and should be regularly followed up. Eternal vigilance is one of the first conditions of public health as well as of public liberty.

AMUSEMENTS.

Theatrical.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.

In referring to Miss ROSE EYTINGE yesterday we supposed that it was a near member of the lady's family who was sick, but we learn with much regret that it is the lady herself who is ailing. Miss EYTINGE is suffering from the prevalent complaint of diphtheria, and is entirely prostrated by it. It may be many days before she is able to resume her professional duties at Wallack's Theatre. In the meanwhile Mrs. JEFFERSON plays the part of *Beatrice* with playful vivacity, and Miss WARD is the *Hero*.

Musical.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.

The great success of "Faust" on Monday evening has led to its repetition to-night. There will be a crowded and fashionable audience.

The Formation of President Lincoln's Cabinet.

A Washington correspondent of the Hartford *Evening Post*, in correcting some misstatements respecting the formation of Mr. LINCOLN's Cabinet, gives the late President's own version as it was on one occasion stated by him in the presence of several gentlemen from Connecticut, with particular reference to Secretary WELLES. The correspondent says:

"Mr. LINCOLN stated that upon the night after the election he remained at the telegraph office until 1 or 2 o'clock, at which time it was reasonably certain that he had been elected. He went to his residence and retired, but that he did not and could not sleep, his thoughts naturally turning to the great responsibility which devolved upon him, and he began to consider whom he could call around him as his advisers and assistants. That during that night and the subsequent day his Cabinet was blocked out, substantially as it was afterward formed; that a few changes were subsequently made, but that no changes were made in the New-England member, either as to the individual selected or the position assigned him.

Mr. LINCOLN stated that he was subsequently opposed in his choice by Mr. HAMLIN and Hon. FRANK PIERE, by Gov. E. D. MORGAN, by MARK HOPKINS, Esq., and others, who urged the selection of Mr. WELLES. These influences may have had some influence in preventing a change in Mr. LINCOLN's original plan, cannot of course be stated. It is known that he was pressed to appoint Hon. JOHN P. HALE, Hon. ALEX. RAMSEY, Hon. JAMES DIXON, etc. Upon the nomination to appoint Mr. WELLES was announced some time before he left his home. Hon. Mr. FOSS, of New-Hampshire, who went to Springfield to urge the selection of M

TELEGRAMS.

Highly Important Action in the British Parliament.

A Bill Introduced for the Disestablishment of the Irish Church.

Able Speech of Mr. Gladstone in Support of the Measure.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Debate in Parliament on the Bill for the Disestablishment of the Irish Church.

LONDON, Tuesday, March 2.

In the House of Commons last evening the Premier, Mr. GLADSTONE, moved for leave to introduce a bill to disestablish the Irish Church, to make provision for its temporalities, and to disendow the Royal College of St. Patrick at Maynooth. Mr. GLADSTONE followed up his motion with a speech in defence and explanation of the provisions of the bill. After commenting on the gravity and importance of the task, he said he was aware of the necessity of giving historical and political reasons for proposing such a constitutional change; reasons which would show the anomaly of the present position, and the consciousness in Parliament of the difficulties of such a position. The House at times had been induced to waste the property of the Irish Church, so that its magnitude might not shock the public mind. It had been necessary at times to support the ascendancy of this Church by the enactment of penal laws. If this ascendancy was maintained, bitter feelings on the part of the Irish people would never cease. Adverting to previous action on this measure, Mr. GLADSTONE declared that it had resulted in making the House and the country unanimous for disestablishment. He would not dwell upon the arguments which had been put forward against it, but he denied that his course was adverse to the welfare of religion and interests of Protestantism. He denied that it contemplated invasion of the rights of property; arguing that Parliament, which had the right to create corporations, had an equal right to extinguish them. He referred to the objections to disestablishment which were based upon the act of union, and answered them by maintaining that the Irish Church as at present constituted defeated the intent of that act, and prevented any real union between the people of England and Ireland; the only means of establishing that union were religious liberty and civil equality. The bill would be conclusive, shutting out all controversy, but carrying with it no penalty or pain. He proceeded to explain that the bill is intended to go into effect on and after the 1st day of January, A. D. 1871. As soon as it has received the Royal assent, a commission will be appointed for a period of ten years, to guard the property of the Church and to prevent the creation of any new interests. All ecclesiastical appointments for Ireland hereafter are to be made without freehold. No money is to be employed for permanent purposes. These provisions are to take the place of the suspensory measures passed last year. It is assumed that the clergy and people may desire to have other religious organizations for those which they were about to give up. In such case the Queen in Council would recognize the newly constituted religious bodies, but would not create them. The result would be the abolition of ecclesiastical courts and jurisdiction and of the rights of bishops to the peerage; all ecclesiastical corporations would be dissolved, and then the disestablishment of the Irish Church would be complete. Provision is made for the clergy, who are to receive life annuities. All private endowments are to remain intact. The Church is to be handed over to a council for religious purposes. Grants are proposed for the support of St. Patrick's and eleven other Cathedrals, these structures being regarded as national property. Church buildings, no longer required, are to be handed over to the Board of Works for the benefit of a fund; and burial grounds are to be placed under charge of the Guardians of the Poor. The Presbyterian clergy are to receive annuities in lieu of the *Regium Donum*; and the Roman Catholic College at Maynooth, and the Presbyterian Colleges are to be granted capitalized sums of money. Further legislation is to be had in regard to Trinity College. A tithe rent charge will be offered to land-owners at twenty-two and a half years' purchase. Church leases are to be sold, tenants having the first option. The capitalized value of the Church property is estimated at $16,000,000, of which $8,000,000 is to be appropriated to compensation, and the remainder, in the words of the preamble to the bill, "is to be employed for the advantage of the Irish people; not for the purposes of any Church or class, nor for the teaching of religion, but for relief in cases of unavoidable calamity or suffering, while at the same time it is not to cancel the obligations laid upon property for the relief of the poor." Grants are also to be made to provide for the care of lunatics, for the training of nurses and for the support of county infirmaries. Mr. GLADSTONE proceeded at considerable length to urge upon the House the great results which were to be expected from the passage of this measure in the tranquillity of Ireland, and the greater union, security and power of the Empire.

Mr. DISRAELI followed Mr. GLADSTONE, and spoke briefly. He said he regarded the policy of the Administration in regard to the Irish Church as politically wrong, and their bill as an act of confiscation. But the Government had a right to bring the matter before the House for a full and thorough discussion, and he would not oppose the introduction of the bill.

The motion made by Mr. GLADSTONE was then agreed to.

The bill was introduced and read for the first time. The 18th of March was appointed for the second reading.

The House then adjourned.

The *Times* to-day says the scheme for the disestablishment of the Irish Church, proposed by Mr. GLADSTONE, fairly accomplishes the task, and the Government deserves the support of Parliament.

CENTRAL ASIA.

Insurrectionary Movements in Turkistan—Surprise of a British Garrison by the Natives.

BOMBAY, March 1, *via* LONDON, March 2.

News has been received here from Central Asia, that the son of the dethroned Ameer of Cabool, has gained possession of two cities in Turkistan, near the Cabool border, and RAHMAN KHAN has gone to join him. It is also reported that the garrison of Kohat, a town in Cabool, twenty-five miles from Peshawur, has been surprised by the natives, and that the British lost 400 men killed, wounded and missing.

CUBA.

Political Prisoners to be Transported—Three More Engagements Reported—An Arrest.

HAVANA, Tuesday, March 2.

A report is circulating in this city that all the political prisoners will be sent to the Island of Fernando Po; and that volunteers are being enlisted to act as guard on board of the transports detailed to carry them to that place. The Government is at present silent upon the subject.

FRANCISCO HERRANDEZ, the Commander of the Cavalry in the District of Pinar del Rio, has been arrested and placed in jail on a charge of disloyalty.

Official information has been received of three engagements of the troops under Col. VALERO with the insurrectionists, during which the troops said the bayonet freely. The insurgents lost sixty killed, and the troops four killed and several wounded.

The forces under Gen. LETONA have arrived at Villa Clara, and those under Gen. PARS at Cienfuegos.

The rebels have burned the San Miguel plantation.

The *Diario* says an engagement took place at Maguayayo, two leagues from Sagua la Grande, in which the insurgents were defeated with a loss of twenty killed and many wounded. The troops lost two killed and several wounded.

The *Commercial Bulletin* publishes an article declaratory of its political faith, in which it says it has always added the mother country in a conciliatory spirit, while defending the true interests of the island.

The reports of a rising in Comaladon are confirmed. The troops at Guayabacoa have been sent to quell another rise at Calica, near Matanzas.

The Government contemplate the erection of large barracks for the accommodation of the volunteers.

It is probable that a clearance will be granted the *J. D. Lizaola*.

Advices from Santiago are to the effect that a steamer had recently arrived there with a cargo of coolies, but the blacks there prevented their landing.

The troops under command of Gen. PORLLOS are engaged barricading and fortifying the town of Santo Espiritu.

MEXICO.

Failure of the Colima State Legislature to Revoke the Oppressive Taxes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Tuesday, March 2.

Late Mexican advices state that the Legislature of the State of Colima adjourned without revoking the oppressive taxes imposed on the inhabitants, the enforcement of which would close almost every commercial house there, were it not for the fact that the local authorities had entered into a friendly agreement with the foreign importers, and prevailed on them to remain. The political affairs in the interior are unsettled, and robberies are on the increase.

CANADA.

Return of French Canadians from the United States to be Encouraged—Man Frozen to Death.

QUEBEC, Canada, Tuesday, March 2.

In Parliament, yesterday, another batch of petitions was presented from French Canadians in the United States, asking encouragement to return to Canada.

A motion to appoint a committee to take the matter into consideration was tabled.

A young man named FIRET was frozen to death, and his companion, Mr. LOCKWOOD, had his hands and feet frozen while attempting to walk around Cape Rouge on snow-shoes yesterday.

MISSOURI.

Lottery and Real Estate Schemes—Ratification of the Constitutional Amendment—Status of Gen. Lyon.

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Tuesday, March 2.

The late Paschal House lottery scheme was before the Circuit Court yesterday, on the petition of JOHN KING, a member of the association, to have a receiver appointed to take charge of the effects of the concern. The petition was overruled, on the ground that the petitioner had not fulfilled his part of the original agreement.

A large indignation meeting of persons holding tickets in the Garner Real Estate Distribution, the drawing of which was thrown up on Saturday night, was held at the Court-house last night. A committee was appointed to wait on the managers of the scheme and see what arrangements could be made for a drawing.

The Missouri Legislature yesterday ratified the Constitutional Amendment. The vote in the House was 70 to 30, and in the Senate 23 to 9.

Eleven Directors of the Atchison and Nebraska Railroad Company were elected yesterday. G. W. GLICK was elected President; J. H. UTT, Vice-President; J. M. PRICE, Secretary and Treasurer. The Company has everything in good shape. The road is said to be a certainty.

A Lyon Monumental Association was formed last night for the purpose of erecting a bronze equestrian statue to Gen. LYON, who was killed at the battle of Wilson's Creek in 1861. It is not improbable that the bronze horse now in Washington, cast by CLARK MILLS, will be bought, and a figure of Gen. LYON placed thereon.

The Municipal Election at Rhinebeck.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

RHINEBECK, N. Y., Tuesday, March 2.

The Republicans gained a most decided victory at the election held here to-day. V. C. TRAVER, Republican, was elected Supervisor over R. GARRETTSON, the present Democratic incumbent, by 70 majority. Last year GARRETTSON's majority was nearly 200.

Extensive Fire in Hartford.

HARTFORD, Conn., March 2.

At five o'clock this morning a fire broke out in the spectacle factory of GEORGE HERRARD, in Wood's building, which was destroyed. The building was occupied in part by the *Times* newspaper office, which was entirely destroyed; insured for $8,000 in the Lorillard, of New-York. MATTHEW H. HEWIN's billiard-rooms; loss, $4,000 on tables; insured for $8,000 in the Charter Oak, of Hartford. BRIGHAM'S machine shop; loss, $600; no insurance. GEORGE HUBBARD'S spectacle factory; loss, $5,000; no insurance. ISAAC GRAHAM, picture frames; loss, $6,000; insured for $2,000 in the Hope, of Providence, and $2,000 in the Niagara, of New-York. The Hartford Thread and Needle Company; loss, $15,000; insured for $5,000 in the Narragansett, the Manhattan and the Yonkers. ABBOTT & EMERSON, lamp-shade manufacturers; loss, $8,000; insured for $1,000 in the Putnam, of Hartford. The building was owned by Mrs. W. W. EATON, whose loss is $20,000; insured for $5,000 in the Home, and $2,000 in the Security, both of New-York. The *Times* does not suspend publication, being printed to-day at the *Courant* establishment. The total loss is $64,000, and the insurance $22,000.

Accident on the Hudson River Railroad—Several Persons Injured.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Tuesday, March 2.

An extra freight train ran into the through freight and emigrant train on Tivoli Bridge, on the Hudson River Railroad, this morning. The tender of the locomotive Baltic was thrown into the river, and the engine was badly smashed. Several cars were thrown from the track. Several persons were injured. Ninety-one emigrants were on the train run into. The caboose car and an emigrant car were smashed. Three or four persons were slightly injured, and one severely in the head and breast. The name of the latter is ABRAHAM STINEMAN, a Jewish minister attached to the Catherine-street Synagogue in New-York City. He is at ASHDOWN'S Hotel, receiving good care, and is attended by Dr. BARTON. One German woman, name not ascertained, was also injured, but she is able to proceed on her journey. The wreck is being cleared away, and the trains are running regularly.

The Case of the Suspended Priest at Auburn.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Tuesday, March 2.

The *Union*, this afternoon, contains a full report of Bishop McQUAIDE's address at Auburn, on Sunday, in the case of the removed and suspended priest, Rev. THOS. O'FLAHERTY, whose refusal to obey his ecclesiastical superiors has been the excuse of riotous proceedings in the Church of the Holy Family of that city. The Bishop's reasons for his action cover delinquencies of various kinds in the priestly office, embracing financial and other matters. He has withdrawn the newly appointed pastor and closed the church as a house of worship, until such time as the congregation (a portion of whom sustain the suspended priest in his resistance) restore peace and order, and unitedly manifest a desire for a restoration of religious service, according to the rules and regulations of the Catholic Church.

Masked Balls to be Suppressed in Boston—The Massachusetts Liquor Bill.

BOSTON, Tuesday, March 2.

The Chief of Police has received orders to suppress all public masked balls on and after the 4th instant.

The Legislative Committee on the liquor question are expected to present four reports, namely: one favoring the old prohibitory law; the second allowing the sale of cider and wine; the third allowing grocers and apothecaries to sell liquor not to be drunk on the premises, and fourth, not to meddle with the subject at all.

Disaster at Sea.

BOSTON, Tuesday, March 2.

The bark *Hale Fenk*, of Boston, from Portland, Feb. 27, for Buenos Ayres, sprung aleak on the afternoon of the 26th ult., while at sea, and was abandoned at 4 o'clock. The crew and passengers were taken off and landed at Gloucester on the 1st inst. The bark had a cargo of lumber and general merchandise. At last accounts two fishing vessels had taken the bark in tow, and would endeavor to get her into Gloucester.

New-York State Charter Elections.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Tuesday, March 2.

At the charter election here to-day the Republicans elected their entire city ticket. SHEPE, for Mayor, has about 300 majority; LANGWORTHY, for Treasurer, 700 majority; BRYAN, for Police Justice, 3,800 majority; WOOD, for Justice, 800 majority. The Republicans elect ten of the fourteen Supervisors, and eight of the fourteen Aldermen.

OSWEGO, N. Y., Tuesday, March 2.

At the charter election here to-day, PAGE, Democrat, was elected Mayor by about 600 majority. Three Republican Aldermen and three Supervisors, and one Democratic Alderman and one Supervisor, were elected. The Republicans carry the city on an average vote. The Common Council remains Republican.

YONKERS, N. Y., Tuesday, March 2.

At the charter election here to-day the following gentlemen were elected: President, ISAAC H. KNOX, Democrat, by 261 majority; Treasurer, GEORGE W. CONE, Democrat, by 119 majority; Trustee of the First Ward, RALPH S. PRIME, Democrat, by 111 majority; Trustee of the Second Ward, THOMAS SMITH, Democrat, by 22 majority; Trustee of the Third Ward, JOHN W. OLIVER, Republican, by 67 majority.

UTICA, N. Y., Tuesday, March 2.

The charter election to-day resulted in the success of the Democratic city ticket by majorities ranging from 96 to 128. The Republicans elect three Supervisors, and the Democrats four.

ELMIRA, N. Y. Tuesday, March 2.

At the charter election in this city to-day, STEPHEN McDONALD was reflected Mayor by about 240 majority. Three Republicans and four Democrats were elected Aldermen, which, with those holding over, will give the Common Council to the Democrats by two majority.

Miscellaneous Telegrams.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 2.—The steamship *Constitution* sailed to-day for Panama with $325,000 in treasure, of which $90,000 is for England.

AUGUSTA, Me., March 2.—The Medical Dissecting bill in its passage was indefinitely postponed in the Senate to-day.

ALLENTOWN, Penn., March 2.—The large manufactory of Messrs. FUREERS & MARTIN at Lynnport, Lehigh County, was destroyed by fire last night. Loss, $25,000.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—The Opera House in St. Joseph, Mo., was destroyed by fire on Sunday, involving a loss of about $12,000; insured for $2,000 in the Sanguinet, of Springfield, Ill.

ST. LOUIS, March 2.—The city election in Des Moines, Iowa, yesterday, resulted in the choice of J. H. HATCH, Republican, for Mayor, over CRAPPERD, Democrat, the present incumbent, by 400 majority. Most of the city officers are Republicans.

AUBURN, N. Y., March 2.—JOHN M. HARD, Republican, was elected Mayor to-day by 450 majority. Two aldermen only were elected in the district, with the exception of Overseer of the Poor. Three of the four Supervisors, and three of the four Aldermen elected are Republicans.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., March 2.—The Democrats to-day elected their candidate for Mayor, GEORGE MORGAN. The Republicans elect four Supervisors, and the Democrats two. The Common Council is unchanged.

EUROPEAN NEWS BY MAIL.

ARRIVAL OF THE INMAN STEAMSHIP CITY OF LONDON.

By the arrival at this port yesterday, of the steamship *City of London*, from Liverpool Feb. 17, and Southampton Feb. 18, we are in receipt of two days later news from Europe. The following speeches were made by Messrs. DISRAELI and GLADSTONE at the opening of Parliament.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Opening of Parliament—Reading of the Address from the Throne—Discussion of the Document—Remarks of Messrs. Disraeli and Gladstone.

Parliament was opened on Tuesday, Feb. 16, when the address from the Throne (already printed in the TIMES) was read in both Houses. In the House of Commons, the Speaker having read the address from the Chair, Mr. DISRAELI, who was received with loud cheering, rose and said:

REMARKS OF MR. DISRAELI.

I am glad, Sir, to find that the honorable gentleman who has made this motion has so framed the address in answer to the gracious speech from the Throne that he has not asked the question of the House upon any question. The rule which he has followed is a very salutary one, which has obtained of late years in our proceedings, and its observance has been attended with considerable advantage. Our proceedings, occasionally, have not been advanced in a manner satisfactory to both sides since that rule was established; but there are circumstances attending the relations between Her Majesty's Government and the present House of Commons which just now render that rule particularly convenient. Her Majesty's Government have acceded to power in consequence of the unmistakable declaration of the constituencies that they wished the right honorable gentleman and his friends to be intrusted with the duties of office. The transition, I think, no doubt, was attended with great difficulty, and in my opinion it would be unjust both to the Government and to this House if we were to allow ourselves to be drawn into a partial and desultory discussion on a question which ought to be placed before us in a complete form, and upon which we ought to have the advantage of the responsibility and knowledge which result from a ministerial exposition. Considering the circumstances under which the present Administration was formed, no Government could possibly have come before the House with a stronger *prima facie* claim for obtaining a full and candid consideration of the question, and as the right honorable gentleman has very properly given notice that he will on an early day invite the attention of the House to this subject, I would continue my full reliance upon the hope that that statement is made it will be received by the House, and will be considered by the House with the gravity worthy its importance and calculated to maintain the reputation of the Assembly. Sir, I am sure that this House hears from the Throne with entire satisfaction the description which is given of the relations which subsist between Her Majesty and foreign Powers, and that the House will echo the answer made in the address. These relations are described, and I have no doubt truly described, as being friendly, and as long as these relations are conducted, not upon the principle of selfish isolation, but in sympathy with the fortunes, with the progress, and prosperity of other nations, or even with the much troubled states and conditions of things which sometimes must occur—those friendly relations will, I believe, be maintained. It is, I am quite sure, a matter of very just congratulation to Her Majesty that, by her friendly interposition, and that of Her Majesty's allies, the settlement of the difficulty between Greece and Turkey has probably been brought about. That, in the gracious speech from the Throne, we are not informed of the particular mode in which that friendly interposition was brought to bear, is to me a matter of regret. When so considerable an event as a Conference between the Great Powers has occurred upon a matter which might have led to European war, and when the Sovereign of this country was represented in that Conference, I think it is almost without precedent that no notice should be taken of the subject in the speech from the Throne, and that the occurrence of such an event should not be brought before the consideration of Parliament. I would even frankly admit that I wish we had been informed in the Speech from the Throne that the Conference had been held; because had that been done we should have been presented papers, and have been made acquainted with the reason why the Conference was agreed to. At present I do not clearly comprehend the cause of that Conference having been agreed to between the friendly interposition of Her Majesty and her allies might have been made in the usual diplomatic manner, and I cannot doubt that if the expression of their opinions and feelings had been properly conveyed, the same result would have happened. I do not, however, care to be critical upon this matter, because the result is one which the House must regard as highly satisfactory. The independence of Turkey has been asserted in this instance virtually by an appeal to the spirit of public law. Upon that appeal the Porte has vindicated its consequence, and I think the general opinion of the country is that a sound and just policy has been successfully vindicated by a Power to whose welfare England is undoubtedly interested. I trust that not the least favorable results of that misunderstanding will be that the organized system by which the political position of the Porte has been continually assailed of late will probably cease, that this considerable check will afford a moral lesson to the habitual disturbers of that quarter of the world, and that the Turkish Government will have the opportunity of carrying its energies to the development of the resources of that country. The honorable gentleman very properly dilated on the relations between England and the United States of America. I should have been very glad if it had been in the power of her Majesty's Government to announce to us to-day that the Convention between the two countries had been ratified by the Senate, but *it remains to us to express a hope that that ratification will speedily be made*. It dealt with by many, and the important questions on both sides of the Atlantic, we may trust that the result will terminate the misunderstanding which has long existed between the two countries, and that it will contribute to the increase of feelings of mutual respect and esteem. I was glad to observe in a short but important paragraph in the address that our attention is called to the preparation of the estimates for the ensuing financial year, and that in this instance the principle, which, though the right one, has not been invariably followed, is to be observed, that they are to be framed "with a careful regard to the efficiency" of the public service.

Mr. GLADSTONE followed Mr. DISRAELI and said:

REMARKS OF MR. GLADSTONE.

I rise to offer some explanations to the House upon points which have been raised in the speeches of the right honorable gentleman and of my honorable friend; but there is nothing in the character of the occasion or of the speeches which renders it necessary for me to trespass for any length of time upon your attention. My honorable friend who has proposed this address acquitted himself of the task with marked ability; and my honorable friend who seconded the address, although he pleaded with so much modesty in the introduction to his second and, I believe, remarks for the indulgence of the House, might, I feel confident, rest assured that not only the importance of the constituency he represents, and not only the fact that the class of workingmen very largely contributed to his return, but likewise the intelligent interest he has taken in the solution of questions of the greatest interest and importance to the community, will at all times secure for him the friendly and kind attention of this House. The remarks of the right honorable gentleman opposite, (Mr. DISRAELI,) especially those having reference to the most important of all the subjects likely to engage our attention during the session, contained not only nothing to complain of, but nothing except what betokened a spirit of moderation and a tone entirely worthy of the high position which he holds. If, therefore, I remark upon his comments, in a controversial tone, with a view to satisfy the scruples he has expressed, it must not be taken that I speak in a spirit of complaint. But I will first deal with an observation offered during the progress of this discussion by the honorable gentleman from Brighton, who regretted the absence from Her Majesty's Message of any reference to the revolution in Spain. My honorable friend justly observed in his remarks that the revolution in the Kingdom of Naples in 1860 formed a not improper subject of mention in the next following speech of Her Majesty; but he will recollect that the Neapolitan revolution of 1860 was immediately followed by the most unequivocal signs of popular and general approval, and by the establishment of a government which appeared to us to promise the promise of stability; and my honorable friend is aware that the revolution in Spain has not, up to this time, led to that desirable result. [Hear, hear.] It is, therefore, not expedient that we should, through the mouth of Her Majesty, invite Parliament to express satisfaction with a work as yet incomplete, since, although it has passed through its destructive stage, it has not yet reached its constructive stage, nor is it desirable that we should *run the risk by a reference to bolder terms of being indisposed to sympathize with the feelings of the Spanish people, which undoubtedly do in a very great extent command the strong sympathy both of the Government and the people of this country*. The right honorable gentleman takes something like exception to the paragraph referring to the differences between Turkey and Greece, on the ground, if I understood him rightly, of the omission of any reference to the course which led the Government to become a party to the assembling of the Conference. Now, Sir, the reason this paragraph has been couched in general rather than specific terms is that, although we know the end in view has been substantially gained, *we cannot say it has been formally ratified*. The Envoy dispatched by the French Government to Athens as the bearer of the resolution of the Conference had, according to the latest intelligence which has reached me, arrived at Marseilles upon his return, but we are not at this moment, though we may be within the next four-and-twenty hours, cognizant of the exact nature of the intelligence he brings. And with respect to the assembling of the Conference, I think the right honorable gentleman will see that the best opportunity which can be given to the House of forming an opinion upon the subject will be the time when we are able to present the papers that relate to it. Until the answer of the King of the Greeks has been received, and that answer has been such as to be of such a character as to permit the Conference to declare itself formally discharged of its office, and in consequence dissolved, we should not be justified in assuming, however we may hope and believe it to be so, that the whole question was at an end, or in promising to produce the papers having reference to the subject. I cannot pass over this paragraph of the speech without altering myself the satisfaction of dwelling for one moment upon the nature of these transactions. It is not to claim for Her Majesty's Government nor for this country any special credit for what has occurred, it is rather to place on record what appears to me to be signs of some real advance in civilization. Here, Sir, is a case where two Powers, exasperated by traditional animosities and with their respective transactions entangled by various sympathies and antipathies of race, were on the point of meeting to the satisfaction of force and bloodshed for the settlement of their differences, and where the employment of purely moral influence has been sufficient to avert that calamity. Now, I am quite certain that if there exists one sentiment more unequivocal than another throughout this country, it is that, without resorting to arbitrary doctrines or pedantic rules, we may be enabled quietly and steadily to make progress toward establishing in Europe a state of opinion which shall favor and facilitate that community of action among the Powers of Europe, whereby this kind of influence alone will be powerful enough to avert the great calamity of war. What is required for that common notion is the absence of intrigue and a total repudiation on the part of every Power of concealment of narrow and selfish views. It is but justice to the Powers engaged in these recent transactions that I should state, on the part of my colleagues, how fully we acknowledge that entire singleness of view and of purpose; that simple prosecution of a great public object, by which every one of these Powers has been governed in the negotiations. It is, happily, no novelty that the Government of France should be allied to that of England in an especial manner with respect to the settlement of affairs in the East. Prussia, perhaps, principally suggested the method of proceeding by Conference; the spirit of Austria and Italy has been precisely the same as that of the Powers I have named; and no one could suspect from anything which has occurred that the relations of these Powers with the settled of conflicting interests and pretensions. The position of Russia is singular, inasmuch as she had the power by her single dissent to frustrate the peaceful object of the other Powers; but although a question has been raised—perhaps justly—with respect to the conduct of a diplomatic agent of Russia, which has not appeared to the world to be in complete conformity with the specific intentions of the Imperial Government, it is but common justice to that Government to admit that its influence has been used in the most positive and decided, and in the most respectful manner to bring about the acquiescence of the other Powers in a result to which they were naturally somewhat reluctant, but which at the same time their best friends believed to be a result conformable with justice. And, not least of all, it must be admitted that the Porte, which had suffered injury at the hands of Greece on grounds of international law had substantial cause of complaint respecting which it was entitled if it thought fit to make use of its undoubtedly superior material means. It should, therefore, receive credit at home and abroad for having consented to forego what in other times and under other circumstances might have been supposed to be a great advantage, and to place its cause in the hands of its allies, reposing entire confidence in the justice of the motives from which they acted. [Hear, hear.] Sir, do I think that the King of the Greeks should be entirely omitted from our consideration of what has occurred. He has had serious internal difficulties to contend with, and it is gratifying to find that at this early period of his life he has shown himself capable of appreciating the conditions of national honor. It is not necessary to dwell upon the paragraph relating to America; we have endeavored to be very careful in the statement we have made, and it is not to be supposed, simply because that paragraph expresses no overweening confidence, that we entertain the smallest doubt that the same good sense and good feeling which governed the course of those negotiations under the noble Lord opposite and the American Executive will continue to govern the policy of that great country.

The address was afterward agreed to.

University Medical College Commencement.

The Commencement exercises of the medical department of the University of New-York took place at the University Chapel yesterday evening, Chancellor FERRIS presiding. Degrees of Doctor in Medicine were conferred, and certificates of honor and prizes were awarded. The number of graduates was eighty-two.

The valedictory address to the graduates was delivered by Prof. THORNTON. He said that the sending forth of young men as healers of disease implied two things, viz., that diseases can be healed, and secondly, that the young men are instructed in the art of healing. These two propositions he would take for his subject. The true doctor is a healer of disease, and not merely a high-priced nurse; the art of healing can be learned only by a course of scientific study. The reaction against the old heroic method of treatment resulted in HAHNEMANN'S doctrines, and common sense argued from his success to the natural healing power of nature. Another starting point, from which has been deduced the power of the *vis medicatrix naturæ*, is the assimilation between the healing process, on the one hand, and the natural physiological processes on the other. But confidence in nature has gone too far, and latelone theories are doing harm by allowing diseases to drag along which might be brought to a speedy end. Pneumonia is a young subject of generally good health is one of the safest diseases to have. But, suppose the person to be aged, the retained excretions may destroy his life. In such a case as this it is culpable to omit the exhibition of diuretics and diaphoretics. So in rheumatic fever, it is true that after six weeks in bed most patients will convalesce, but one patient in three will carry forever an injured heart, which will make life miserable, and may shorten the duration. It is mal-practice to neglect to give alkalies. We give many medicines, not to cure the disease, but to prevent complications, and to relieve symptoms; but modern medicine is also set on the die-case itself, as quinine, iodine, &c. It is in chronic diseases that this class of remedies is most efficacious, and it is chronic diseases by which destroy most of our childhood. The very name of scrofula shows that nature does nothing to cure them. As to the second point, it would be well to consider the subject from a common-sense point of view. It is reasonable to suppose that the other understands the human system will treat it well. Shall it be a question of legislation? Has one a right to the title of doctor who is not educated? We leave that to the intelligent public. The speaker closed with a few words of friendly farewell to the new doctors.

The benediction was pronounced, and the exercises were finished.

Aerial Navigation and its Practical Aspects.

The New-York Society of Practical Engineering held its regular meeting last evening at Room No. 24 Cooper Institute, the President, JOS. A. WHITNEY, in the chair.

The principal part of the evening was devoted to the reading of a paper on the subject of "Aerial Navigation and its Practical Aspects."

In introducing the theme the writer referred to the commonly received opinion that the idea is a visionary one, and remarked that any person run the risk of being considered not practical who would undertake this branch of invention. He added, however, that the times were changing, and that already steps had been taken in this direction. This is evidenced by the formation of Aeronautical Societies in England, France and other countries. In this connection the writer remarked that it was a little surprising that no such society had been formed in this country. He then reviewed the history of the various endeavors which had been made toward a solution of the problem, going back to the fables and authentic records of the ancients. The various attempts at flying and navigating the air were classed into those in which the flight was to be accomplished by muscular effort in the manner of birds, which is the most ancient method, and those in which the ascensive power was obtained by the rarefaction of air or a lighter than air. Passing down from the aeronautical lore of the ancients to those of modern times, the writer noticed the Jesuit FRANCIS LANA, who had given the first idea of a balloon in 1670. The idea of the above-mentioned person was to use metal to inclose the rarefied air, that the bulk would displace a bulk of air of a weight greater than its own. GUSMAN, a Portuguese friar, succeeded in raising a wicker basket covered with paper to a height of 200 feet, in 1709. Later still, leather was employed. In 1783 the announcement of the discovery of hydrogen gave a new direction to the investigation. The great tenuity of this gas, however, offered a great obstacle to its application in aeronautical operations. Various other circumstances connected with the development of the art were described; but want of space forbids our noticing them in this place. The uses to which a successful plan of aerostation could be put, both in peace and war, were then alluded to, and the impossibility of ever accomplishing anything in reference to aeronautical science, while the spherical form continues to be the one given to the balloon. The writer finally explained a new plan, which he claimed would already neutralize the science as heretofore considered, as it changed almost every consideration attendant upon an ordinary spherical balloon—shape, proportion, steering, method of applying the power, &c. He maintained that the aerial navigation could not only be made successful, but entirely safe, and that in more than one manner. He also expressed his opinion that it will not be many years, provided any encouragement is given to labor in that field, before the question will not be as to its practicability, but as to which plan is the best and the most economical.

After the paper had been read, Dr. J. V. C. SMITH made some interesting remarks concerning the subject, and especially as to the principles on which all advances in aerostatic science must be based. He described the function of the lungs and body of the bird, and declared that those machines would be the most successful which would make use of the principles which nature had indicated in the formation of birds. He expressed his faith in a very enthusiastic manner, as to the possibility of navigating the air.

There was also described an apparatus invented by a Frenchman named LAMBIE, in which the body of the machine resembled a screw, and was intended to fly through the air. He said he who turned it around on its longitudinal axis by means of an internal device operating on the plan of a treadmill.

STREET & SMITH.—If we were asked for a striking example of business success in this metropolis, we should cite the case of Messrs. STREET & SMITH, proprietors of the popular New-York *Weekly*, known by their name. Some fifteen years ago we knew FRANK STREET as the faithful business manager of the late AMOS J. WILLIAMSON, proprietor of the *Dispatch*, and FRANCIS SMITH as a writer for the columns of that well-known journal. Mr. WILLIAMSON had started the *Weekly*, and ran it for some time at a heavy pecuniary loss, but many of the business cares pressing upon him eventually relinquished it to his old employes, STREET & SMITH. For a long time these young men struggled along, spending their entire income to fill the columns of their paper with stories by the most acceptable authors, and advertising their business to an extent sometimes far beyond their immediate resources. But their foresight and enterprise paid. To-day the proprietors of the *Weekly* are wealthy men. STREET, who is a Brooklyn alderman, owns a big slice of the thriving village of Greenpoint; while SMITH, who a few years ago was a jour. printer, but who has since, as a touching story writer, proved a host in himself, has just bought a splendid Fifth-avenue mansion for his family residence, and is dipping deeply into Boulevard lots and similar luxuries. The success of these partners ought to be a lesson to young men generally. They began at the bottom of the ladder, worked hard, spent sparingly for personal matters, but with a prodigal hand to promote business. Their enterprises have been the most extended publicly, and their reward is already assured. They are now on the high road to rank among the millionaires. It will hardly be credited, but these very men, to whom a decade ago a hundred dollars was a fortune, are now said to spend as much as $40,000 in advertising the first number of a new story in the New-York *Weekly*.—*The Sun.*

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NOTICE.—AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD of Directors this day, it was unanimously resolved that the contract for the purchase of the Capital Stock of this Company with that of the Lake Shore Railway Company, which was entered into on the 4th day of February, 1869, and which was duly and regularly approved, and it was ordered that a special meeting of the stockholders of said Company be held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on FRIDAY, the 19th day of March, 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

It was also ordered that, in case of the ratification of said contract, a meeting of the stockholders shall be held at the same place, between the hours of 2 and 4 P. M., of said date, for the purpose of the election of Directors of said consolidated Company.

The transfer books of the Company will be closed on the 20th day of February, 1869, and on the 20th day of March, 1869.

WM. CROWELL, Secretary.

OFFICE OF THE LAKE SHORE RAILWAY CO.,
CLEVELAND, Feb. 11, 1869.

NOTICE.—AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD of Directors this day, it was unanimously resolved that the contract for the purchase of the Capital Stock of this Company with that of the Cleveland and Toledo Railroad Company, by agreement, and it was ordered that a special meeting of the stockholders be duly called and held at the office of the Company in Cleveland, Ohio, on FRIDAY, the 19th day of March, 1869, between the hours of 10 A. M. and 2 P. M.

It was also ordered that, in case of the ratification of said contract, a meeting of the stockholders shall be held at the same place, between the hours of 2 and 4 P. M. of said day, for the purpose of the election of Directors of said consolidated Company.

The transfer books of the Company will be closed on the 20th day of February, 1869, and on the 20th day of March, 1869.

D. P. ROCKWELL, Secretary.

MERCHANTS' AND MECHANICS' NATIONAL BANK OF TROY.—Notice is hereby given that a vacancy in the Board of Directors of this Bank, caused by the death of Rufus Lester, will be filled at the next annual election, to be held on Tuesday, March 9, 1869, between the hours of 10 and 12 M. By order of the Board of Directors.

THE SIMS CLERK.

This Bank has not established any a state of affairs, and continues business as usual, under the name of The Merchants' and Mechanics' Bank of Troy.

OFFICE PITTSBURG, FORT WAYNE AND CHICAGO RAILWAY COMPANY,
PITTSBURGH, PA., Feb. 24, 1869.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway Company will be held at the office of the Company, in the City of Pittsburgh, on TUESDAY, the 6th day of APRIL, 1869, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of hearing and considering the annual report of the Board of Directors, to elect the Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the election of seven members of the Board of Directors, to serve for three years, in the place of those whose terms of service expire by law.

F. M. HUTCHINSON, Secretary.

FORT-SECOND-ST. AND GRAND-ST. FERRY RAILROAD COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 23, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors will be held at the office of the Company on TUESDAY, March 2, between the hours of 2 and 4 o'clock P. M.

CHARLES GUERIN, Secretary.

ISLE ROYALE MINING COMPANY,
No. 44 EXCHANGE-PLACE,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 1, 1869.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE holders of the Stock of this Company will be held on WEDNESDAY, March 10, 1869, at 12 o'clock.

E. W. CAPEN, Secretary.

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THE ANNUAL ELECTION OF STOCK will be held at the office, No. 10 Walnut-st., Philadelphia, on WEDNESDAY, March 10, 1869, at 12 o'clock M.

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THE COUPONS OF THE SEVENTEEN-FIFTY BONDS, bearing Mortgage Gold Bonds, due March 1, 1869, will be paid on and after that date, free from Government tax, on presentation at the Banking House of George Opdyke & Co., No. 25 Nassau-st., New-York.

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THE ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREholders of the Newark and Hackensack Company for the choice of Directors and the transaction of any other lawful business, will be held at 4 o'clock, on WEDNESDAY, March 17, 1869, at the Company's office, No. 40 Exchange-place, New-York City.

F. W. CAPEN, Secretary.

THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE stockholders of the Nicolson Pavement Company of the City of New-York, for the election of Trustees, will be held at the office of the Company, No. 115 Wall-st., on TUESDAY, March 9, 1869, at 1 o'clock P. M.

A. H. LOVE, Secretary.

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Coupon, 1881	115¼	115¾	6-20 Coupon, '68	113¾	113¾
5-20 Coupon, 1862	115¼	115¾	10-40 Coupon	109¾	109¾
5-20 Coupon, 1864	115¼	115¾	Currency 6s	109¾	109¾
5-20 Coupon, 1865	115¼	115¾	Gold	128	128¼
5-20 Coupon, 1867	115	115¼	U. S. Cert. Fin.	101¼	101¾
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The annual general meeting of the Mutual Life Insurance Company of New-York for the year ending Jan. 31, 1869:

(FROM THE ANNUAL STATEMENT SEE ANNUAL CONTRACT.)

Net assets, Feb. 1, 1868	$23,628,402 14
Returned during the year	13,720,161 00
Total	$37,348,563 20
Disbursements during the year	6,422,[illegible]
Net assets Jan. 31, 1869	$30,925,[illegible] 10

INVESTED AS FOLLOWS:

Cash	$1,[illegible]
Bonds and mortgages	$1,[illegible]
United States and New-York State Stocks, cost	8,[illegible]
Bank Stocks, cost	2,[illegible]
Real estate	2,[illegible]
	$30,925,[illegible] 10
Premiums, (semi-annual and quarterly)	$1,[illegible]
Premiums partially for previous terms	[illegible]
Gold interest, in course of collection	[illegible]
Interest due and unpaid	6,[illegible]
Interest not accrued but net due on stocks and bonds and mortgages	[illegible]
Deferred premiums, (estimated)	[illegible]
Gross assets Jan. 31, 1869	$31,[illegible]
THE ASSETS ARE THUS APPROPRIATED:	
Net reserves (Company's)	[illegible]
Sinking fund	$28,[illegible]
Surplus over all liabilities	$[illegible]

Amount of new business for the year

Number of policies

Premiums and policies in force Jan. 31, 1869

Amount insured thereby

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OFFICE TRAVELERS' FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
NEW-YORK, Feb. 17, 1869.

THE ANNUAL ELECTION FOR DIrectors of this Company will be held at the office, No. 106 Broadway, on TUESDAY, March 9. Poll open from 12 M. to 1 P. M.

TIMOTHY Y. BROWN, Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE—STUYVESANT INSURANCE COMPANY.—The annual election for twenty-five Directors and three Inspectors of the ensuing year will be held at the office of the Company, No. 122 Bowery, on THURSDAY, March 11, 1869. Poll opened at 12 M. and closed at 1 P. M.

March 1, 1869. WM. P. LEGGETT, Secretary.

AUCTION SALES.

HENRY D. MINER, Auctioneer—Salesroom No. 6 Courtlandt-st., near Broadway.

ART GALLERY, NO. 845 BROADWAY.

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H. D. MINER & BARKER will sell at auction on TUESDAY EVENING, March 9, at 7½ o'clock, at the above gallery, No. 845 Broadway, the entire collection of paintings by four distinguished artists,

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Also, from the private collection of a well-known amateur, the following choice oil paintings: Chas. Hart, Julia Poore, J. E. Brevoort, Wm. Hart, Wm. Bellows, H. A. Loop, T. L. Smith, J. Robinson, J. D. Smillie, G. H. Beard, T. J. Thomas and others, including the celebrated picture by Constant Mayer, entitled "Love's Melancholy."

The above are now on exhibition free from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M., and the three evenings previous to the sale till 10 o'clock.

LEAVITT, GRISWOLD & CO., Auctioneers.

EXTRAORDINARY ART SALE, TUESDAY AND FRIDAY, March 2 and 5, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

By order of the Executors, will be sold by auction, above, at the CLINTON HALL ASTOR-PLACE BOOK SALESROOMS AND ART GALLERIES, LEAVITT, GRISWOLD & CO. Auctioneers, the valuable collection of paintings,

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CUBA.

ARRIVAL OF THE SANTIAGO DE CUBA.

By the arrival at this port of the steamship Santiago de Cuba we are in receipt of HAVANA news dated Feb. 24. Purser W. BISSET, Jr., has our thanks for courtesies.

Much Ado About Nothing—War News—Expedition to Gramjan—Relief for Tobacco Manufacturers—New Export Duties—Prisoners in Havana.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Wednesday, Feb. 24, 1869.

"Much ado about nothing." The old Shakespearean saying can be applied to the news which was published and circulated Sunday and Monday, for none of the Cuban correspondents appear to have taken place. What may yet be in store for the Havanas, however, is unknown. The news received from the seat of war and the rebels, their dissatisfaction at the way the war is conducted, their feeling against Gen. DULCE and their own private wishes, may yet cause our Governor a great deal of trouble, and the Havana people vast discomfort. Had the slightest opportunity been afforded the volunteers on Sunday or Monday, a most bloody riot would have occurred, and Havana would have been at once declared under martial law. The Sergeants and other uncommissioned officers of the sixth and other battalions yesterday called upon Gen. DULCE, and the portals of the Palace were crowded for several hours by anxious inquirers, seeking for information as to what was going on within. The day previous the Captain-General had occasion to address the volunteers, when in a political pun, he said, and said again personally, he has assured them that a vigorous campaign will be prosecuted against the insurgents; that all cases of malfeasance are to be tried by Court-martial, and that all sentences will be rigorously executed.

WAR NEWS.

The *Prensa* publishes authentic accounts from the Central Department to the effect that the rebels were cropping out everywhere, and that wherever they made their appearance they destroyed or confiscated all Spanish property. The insurgents were well mounted and thereby enjoy a great advantage over the Spanish troops. The only troops in the Cienfuegos district were a small force of artillery. The people were abandoning their homes in the country and taking refuge in the cities. The *Prensa* declares it is almost useless to make any allusions to the state of affairs in that district, as it must be conceded it is a hell one for the inhabitants.

On the list it was rumored in Sagua that an action had taken place between the insurgents and Spanish troops in the Villa Clara jurisdiction, not far from the Encruejadas. The insurgents had burnt the "San Miguel" plantation, quite near Villa Clara. It was also reported that thirty-six cane fields of the "Australia" plantation, belonging to E. MORA, had been burnt by the insurgents for the reason they were not furnished promptly with forage. This circumstance is considered the more strange from the fact the nucleus of the insurrection of Jaguey Grande was formed on this very estate.

THE BURNING OF BAYAMO.

The *Diario*, wishing to give publicity to all rumors likely to make the cause of the insurgents obnoxious, gives the following particulars of the burning of Bayamo: When VALMASEDA crossed the Cauto they determined to make a levy of $100,000 upon the merchants of the place, but they declared themselves unable to obtain more than $25,000. The Mexican and Dominican leaders then proposed to CESPEDES to notify the inhabitants of Bayamo to leave the place, as it was about to be reduced to ashes. Each citizen, they thought, would therefore endeavor to carry off with him all the money he had. Once upon the march, a general search might be made and all the money taken away. CESPEDES, it is said, opposed the plan, which was, nevertheless, carried out in all its details. But it is asserted that Spanish soldiers have found among the ruins of the town masses of melted gold, tending to prove the falsity of the story, and to show that many concealed their gold at home instead of hiding it about their persons.

EXPEDITION TO LA GRANAJA.

The expedition for the capture of La Granaja, the fort and only port of the insurgents, which was organized and sailed from here the 17th, appears to have been successful. The place was bombarded, and afterward occupied by the Spaniards, and part of the crews of the gunboats. These subsequently returned to Nuevitas, where they took on board two battalions which they landed at Granaja the 19th. These forces it was expected to move at once to the relief of Puerto Principe, and they ought by this time to have arrived. The bombardment could not have been a very severe one, as one account states that only four shells were fired against the fort. These four, however, killed a number of the insurgents, and caused the remainder to retreat, leaving the occupation an easy task.

RELIEF FOR TOBACCO MANUFACTURERS OF THE FIRST.

The manufacturers of tobacco in this capital have in hand a project to present a petition showing their grievances and asking for relief, to the Captain-General, to be by him forwarded to the Supreme Government. In the document they will show the falling off both in importance and production of this important branch of industry. The exportation of twisted tobacco has decreased within the last year fully one-third, and that of leaf tobacco has increased to the same extent. The *Prensa* advocates the former system of export duties, and attributes the falling off to the free-trade doctrines, and declares that the Island of Cuba cannot compete in labor with Europe, where employment is so much cheaper.

The different committees of the late meetings at the Palace, to discuss and adopt measures for the relief of the island, have at last made their report, and in compliance therewith Gen. DULCE has decreed from the 1st March new export duties of 50 cents on each box of sugar, $1 50 on each hogshead, $1 on each bale of tobacco exported and 50 cents on each thousand cigars. Also an extra charge of 5 per cent. on the value of actual import duties, and 20 per cent upon the annual tax, both industrial and commercial, save upon those who pay less than $50 taxes.

PRISONERS IN HAVANA.

The condition of the political prisoners in the Morro and Cabanas forts is said to be most lamentable. Those who are confined in the forts suffer a great many hardships—are herded together like animals, cut off from all intercourse with their friends, and not allowed to receive any comforts or delicacies, or even necessaries of life. I am told that in one large room there are several hundred, and the greater part have no cots or blankets to rest upon. Their only food is the rancho, or coarse rations of the common soldier. In several compartments of the fort where the prisoners are confined, the only light received is from a window in the roof, thirty feet high. How comfortless and cheerless must such a confinement be! Among these prisoners are to be found many Americans. In the common jail are several who have already suffered imprisonment for months, only on suspicion because of the lack of passports to enter the island, or even on account of the discovery of a rifle or a pair of pistols among their luggage. The Courts, both civil and martial, must have their dockets full.

THE WEATHER.

The weather in Havana for the past two days has been sultry. Of the new arrivals of troops, many have begun to suffer from heat and sickness. One hundred and fifty or more are sick in the hospital with the vomito, more to be dreaded than the enemy's bullets, and more destructive, perhaps. QUASIMODO.

Continued Stagnation of Business—Stoppage of Sugar Mills—Failure of Vessels to Procure Cargoes.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, Friday, Feb. 19.

The different articles of commerce received at present from Spain obtain no sale whatever. The schooner *Josefina*, from Mallorca, and the brig *Diligencia*, both Spanish vessels, (the latter touched at Ponce,) have arrived with general cargoes, but in view of the present stagnation of business will have to carry their produce to other ports. American produce, such as lard, provisions, coal oil and butter, are in great demand, and, being necessaries, obtain good prices. Lumber and cooperage stock are completely unsalable, and large stocks are on hand. Two vessels are expected to arrive shortly, with provisions, from New-York.

As regards sugar, the plantations of Nuevitas, Gibara, Santa Cruz and Manzanillo have ceased grinding, with the exception of several small ones near Santa Cruz. In our own jurisdiction, thanks to the protection of the troops and volunteers, quite a number have commenced grinding again, and unless a rainy spell sets in, we may expect to be better off toward the middle of the crop. The feasibility of doing away with the volunteer corps is being discussed, as their organization is a continual provocation to the insurgents, who set fire to the farms and estates and cause us double loss. The rest of the crops remaining in Nuevitas and Gibara are being shipped to Europe. Sixty thousand [illegible] sugar in Santa Cruz, which are to be shipped to Hamburg. The stock in Manzanillo is hardly sufficient to load the vessels there waiting for it to carry to Hamburg and Bremen.

In the lumber business generally it is impossible to do anything without making advances, and no one will make them, for the means of transportation for an indefinite time are wanting.

As I have already informed you, the crop of sugar has caused several vessels to proceed to Gantananamo. Dispatches from thence to Mr. John report the *Brilliant* with 150 hogsheads of sugar, and for New-York, the *Outalissi*, with 640 hogsheads sugar, 40 hogsheads molasses, [illegible] honey, 137 bags old rags and 25,000 cigars.

The health of the port is improving. Only five cases of cholera within the last two days. There is no political news, save the usual dissatisfied feeling between the parties. SANTIAGO.

Meeting of Vessel Owners and Captains.

The regular meeting of the Board of Delegates of the newly-formed Vessel Owners' and Captains' Association of the Port of New-York was held at 3 P. M. yesterday at the Exchange News-rooms in Pine-street. There was a full attendance. Mr. JAMES A. VAN BRUNT, President, occupied the chair.

A communication was read from the Vessel Owners' Association of Philadelphia, congratulating the New-York owners on the formation of the new organization, and pledging their cooperation in all matters intended for the mutual benefit of owners in the two cities. The communication was ordered on file.

The Committee on Printing was vested with discretionary power as to getting the by-laws of the Association and certificates of membership printed.

The Constitution of the Philadelphia organization was read and placed on file.

A communication was read from Mr. C. P. BARNES, of Washington, asking that a memorial be prepared and sent to Congress relative to the legislation required for the furtherance of commercial interests. Placed on file.

A communication was also read from Capt. C. C. DUNCAN, President of the newly-formed Seamen's Aid Society, asking the indorsement of the Association. The business now being inaugurated to assist and elevate the social status of seamen sailing from and entering this port. The communication sets forth that the Legislature has been petitioned to grant the Aid Society $50,000 on condition that a like amount be raised by private subscription for providing a fund for the new institution. The paper was referred to a Committee of three to report at the next meeting.

Mr. SARGENT moved that the Secretary be instructed to prepare a memorial to Congress asking for a repeal of the law now imposing unjust and onerous charges on vessels. Carried.

The Chair suggested that the Board should take some action on the matter of bills of lading for vessels engaged in coal carrying; that they should be liable in the port of Philadelphia, in accordance with the bill of lading adopted by the Association in that city. The suggestion was, on motion, adopted, and a committee was appointed to confer with the Philadelphia and kindred associations, with a view to preparing a form of bill of lading on which all the associations can agree.

On motion, and after some debate, it was decided that a remonstrance should be prepared and presented to the Legislature against any change in the present law governing the Hell Gate pilots and the rates of pilotage, and also that a petition be presented to that body asking that the laws regulating compulsory pilotage at Sandy Hook be repealed.

Capt. HAND and the President were appointed a committee to proceed to Albany in furtherance of the above mentioned objects.

Mr. SARGENT moved that a committee of three be appointed to urge the formation of kindred associations among the vessel owners and captains in Boston, Portland, Maine, and Portland, Maine. Messrs. SARGENT, BARNES and BAIN were appointed as such committee.

After some debate the coal bill of lading used in Philadelphia was adopted so far as trade with that city is concerned, and the Secretary was instructed to notify the other societies of this action.

A committee of ten was then appointed to confer with coal shippers in and around New-York, and solicit them to cooperate with the Association in securing the general adoption of the bill of lading adopted in Philadelphia. The committee consists of Messrs. D. M. TERRY, W. W. BAKER, F. A. CARTWRIGHT, JOHN CURTIS, T. J. FALKENBURGH, JOB FALKENBURGH, S. W. HAYNES, A. H. WOOD, G. M. SARGENT, and D. S. WILLIAMS.

After transacting some routine business the meeting adjourned.

Lecture at John St. Church.

CHARLES H. SPURGEON entertained a small though select and appreciative audience in the parlors of the College building, corner Twelfth-street and Second-avenue, last evening, with a lecture on the "Life and Genius of WHITTIER." He described his birthplace at East Haverhill, his parentage, his infancy, his youth and the first buddings of poetic genius encouraged by his intellectual and refined mother, his early education, his trade of shoemaking, his experience as a teacher and his first poetic triumph in the Essex *Gazette*. He then reviewed his subsequent connection with the paper published by WM. LLOYD GARRISON, and his long and unflinching support and advocacy of the humane principles of that gentleman; and went on to mention the connection of Mr. WHITTIER with numerous journals and magazines, to which he laboriously contributed the fruits of his strong intellect, literary tastes and poetic genius—from the *American Manufacturer*, in which he advocated protection to American industry, down to the *Atlantic Monthly*, in which he records with burning words the lofty patriotism of Dame BARBARA FRITCHIE. He commended the poetic writings of Mr. WHITTIER, not only for the warm glow of humanity which ever pervades them, and strikes irresistibly the heart of the reader, but also for the deep religious sentiment with which they appeal to human hearts and feeling. In him was combined not only the poet, but also the politician, the thinker, the legislator and philosopher, and few if any will leave a softer, more hallowed or enduring impression on his generation than the Quaker poet. The larger portion of the lecture consisted of readings from the most popular of the poet's productions, which were rendered with much effect and feeling.

Coroners' Cases.

Coroner KEENAN yesterday held an inquest in the case of MARION GOLDEN, a native of Ireland, 50 years of age, residing at No. 122 Baxter-street, who died from injuries received by falling between two freight cars, at the New-York and New-Haven Railroad Freight Depot, as previously reported. A verdict of accidental death was rendered, but the jury censured the New-Haven Railroad Company for not providing proper means of protection to the employes and others who remove cars in their depot. The censure was predicated upon testimony showing that insufficient means are provided to protect from injury the persons employed in the depot in locking and uncoupling cars.

JAMES CARROLL, a native of Ireland, 40 years of age, died yesterday, at St. Luke's Hospital, from injuries received on Saturday last by the premature explosion of a blast at the corner of Forty-fourth-street and Broadway. Coroner FLYNN was notified and will hold an inquest today. The deceased lived at the corner of Fifteenth-street and Eighth-avenue, and has left a widow and five children.

Earthquake-proof Architecture.

The recent earthquakes on the Pacific coast have necessitated the adoption of some new style of building in that section of the country. Mere brick shells will not stand many heavy lead shocks, and the architects of San Francisco are now busy over earthquake-proof plans of architecture. The last severe earthquake in that city cracked a large number of brick walls, which have had bands bound together with iron rods to make them in any way safe. A very little heavier shock would have tumbled them in ruins. The fact that these sensations may come at any time has somewhat shaken the faith of the people in the security of their brick houses. One of the new plans proposed is to build a compact wooden frame structure and surround it with brick walls. The frame would secure it against falling, and the walls would render it fire-proof. A large publishing house in San Francisco are soon to erect a store upon this plan.

Another method proposed is to build thick walls, with iron girders inserted in them and riveted at the angles. There has been considerable discussion among builders on this matter, and a new field is opened for the ingenuity of architects. Anybody who will guarantee to put up a house that will stand an ordinary earthquake will meet [illegible] in the build of [illegible] Rubber, was made by [illegible] on the [illegible] Act. As soon as such [illegible] we have not ceased to [illegible] in the destruction of life and property on the Pacific coast.

Resolutions Touching of Mortality.

The regular monthly meeting of the Health Department of Brooklyn was held yesterday, Mr. THOMAS, President, in the chair.

Resolutions of thanks and respect to Mrs. MARY A. DAMERSON, Principal of School No. 1, were adopted on the ground that Mrs. DAMERSON had offered her resignation after forty years' faithful service as a teacher under the auspices of the Board.

The Committee on School-houses reported in favor of inviting proposals for the building of School No. 31, in Hewson-street, in accordance with the plans which had been on exhibition during the past month, and, after a long debate, the report was adopted. It transpired in the course of the discussion that the population of the ward has increased from 3,115 [illegible] 1865 to 4,000 at the present time, and [illegible] will be [illegible] for [illegible] school.

The Committee on the Special Contract reported in favor of the proposition to procure a white female teacher in the colored school in the Ninth Ward, presented the report of two members of the Committee, in the course of which the efforts of the colored taxpayers who petitioned the Board for the appointment of a colored teacher instead of the white teacher, were referred to.

Mr. FIELD, a member of the Committee, said that the Committee had been unanimous in the report to be presented to the Board, but that since that time matter had been introduced to the report which was extraneous to the subject referred to the Committee by the Board.

The resolutions appended to the report recommended the employment of colored teachers in colored schools when their services could be made available; the dismissal of the forty white children in attendance upon school No. 2 at the present time, and the discharge of the Committee from the further consideration of the subject. The resolutions only were adopted.

Mr. MILLER, of the Committee, to whom was referred the selection of a site for school purposes in District No. 18, reported in favor of purchasing eight lots between Hayward and Lynch-streets, near the Union Base Ball ground, belonging to NICHOLAS WYCKOFF, Esq., President of the Williamsburg Bank, at $600 each, being a total of $4,800, and covering an area of 17,600 superficial feet, four of the lots fronting on Hayward-street, and four on Lynch-street. The report was adopted.

The Board then adjourned.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

New-York.

Rev. THOMAS A. JAGGAR delivered a lecture last evening at Lyric Hall in aid of Emanuel Chapel, in Sixty-eighth-street. He entertained his audience, of about 200 ladies and gentlemen, upon the subject of "Still Power," which he treated in a very happy manner. The main proposition of the lecture, that the truest and most efficient forces, whether natural, social or moral, were silent and unobserved. Men naturally mistrusted power with noised demonstration, whereas the contrary is nearer the fact.

The Seventh Annual Commencement of the Bellevue Hospital Medical College was held at the Academy of Music last evening. There was a good attendance of ladies and gentlemen, including many members of the medical fraternity in New-York. The Dean of the faculty, ably presided on the occasion, and addresses were made by Rev. ALEXANDER R. THOMPSON, D. D., and others. The opening prayer was invoked by Rev. ALFRED B. BEACH, D. D. WALTER S. THOMAS, M. D., was the valedictorian. Degrees were conferred upon 134 young gentlemen.

At the solicitation of the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Christian Union, HENRY WARD BEECHER has very kindly consented to deliver a series of lectures on hygiene, in a familiar, plain, popular style, for the working people and their children. They will be given in Olivet Chapel, No. 68 Second-street, on successive Friday evenings, the first of the series of the course will be delivered Friday evening, March 5, at 7:30 o'clock. Subject—"The Structure of the House we Live in."

Yesterday afternoon, about 1:30 o'clock, a fire, caused by a defective flue, broke out on the second floor of Public School No. 37, in East Forty-second-street, between First and Second avenues, and some 1,200 children at the time were prevented by the prompt action of the teachers and the fire being quickly extinguished no damage was done.

A fire broke out at 4:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon in the office of E. A. WILLARD, tea broker, No. 124 Pearl-street. The fire originated in the hot air pipe. A few pails of water extinguished the flames.

About 5 o'clock last evening flames were discovered in the second story of a frame building, No. 425 Second-avenue. M. SHERRY, an Irishman, 75 years of age, who was the sole occupant, was discovered almost dead and taken to Bellevue Hospital. The building was insured for $1,500; damage, $100. The origin of the fire has not been ascertained.

JAMES CORCORAN, living at No. 244 West Forty-fourth-street, while intoxicated, on Sunday fell from his cart in Hudson-street, and the side of his head striking the frozen ground, his right ear was nearly severed from his head. He was taken to the New-York Hospital.

A fire broke out yesterday morning in the apartments of ABRAHAM MARKS, on the second floor of No. 46 Orchard-street, from which resulted a damage to furniture of $600, but which was covered by insurance. The fire was caused by the upsetting of a kerosene lamp, but MARKS was arrested by the Thirteenth Precinct Police, on suspicion of arson, and was committed by Justice SHANDLEY to await an examination before the Fire Marshal.

Yesterday morning the frame dwelling in One Hundred and Fourteenth-street, between First and Second avenues, owned by JULIUS OWENS, took fire on the third floor, occupied by J. THOMAS, and was damaged to the amount of $100. Mr. THOMAS suffered a loss of $200 on furniture. Both losses are covered by insurance.

Brooklyn.

The Assistant Fire Marshal reports that during the month of February there were twenty-seven fires in Brooklyn, four of which were caused by incendiarism.

Two years ago the little daughter of Mr. COLEMAN, a jeweler of No. 485 Oxford-street, accidentally swallowed the whistle of a rubber ball, and ever since that time she has suffered considerably in consequence. A day or two since, while coughing severely, the whistle was emitted, and the child, who was supposed to be rapidly declining by reason of consumption, is now enjoying good health.

Hon. STEWART L. WOODFORD delivered an able and eloquent account of the attack on Fort Sumter to an enthusiastic audience last evening in the Bond-street Presbyterian Church.....Hon. HILLORY A. COWEN delivered his interesting "Reminiscences of the Paris Exposition" in the Chapel of the Unity, Clason-avenue, last evening. The audience was greatly delighted, and was abundant in its applause.....JOHN B. GOUGH delivered a lecture on "Temperance" in the Academy of Music last evening. The house was well filled by an audience full of enthusiasm.

The Kings County Republican General Committee held its regular meeting last night. Mr. DUTCHER, Chairman, presiding. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: CHARLES C. TALBOT, of the Fifteenth Ward, First Vice-President; WM. H. LYON, of the Ninth Ward, Second Vice-President; Mr. MURDELL, Third Vice-President; CHAS. CHESSIRE, Mr. NORTON and Mr. WHEELER, Secretaries; F. W. KENYON, Treasurer.

New-Jersey.

A saloon at the corner of North Fifth and Grand streets, Jersey City, was the scene of a terrific encounter on Monday night. An intoxicated man, named PETER CORRIGAN, being refused more rum from the bar-tender of the saloon, became violent, and his conduct was so outrageous that it was considered necessary to remove him. While RIEBER, the bar-tender, was endeavoring to do so, GIBBER drew a knife and attempted to stab him. Officer CORNELL was called in, and by a few blows of his club soon reduced the chahrgeorous individual to submission. The prisoner was brought before Recorder MAYTINDALE yesterday morning, and committed for trial.

During the past Winter the total number of persons who attended the Jersey City evening schools has been 697; compared with an attendance of 1,125 last year. The average attendance has been 287 last year, 278. The expense of the schools has been $6,826, of which $1,125 has been expended on School No. 1; $1,425 on No. 2; and $668 on the female school. The average cost per scholar was $4 20. The Assistant Superintendent of the schools recommends that in future, German teachers be employed for the better teaching of those unable to understand English.

During the past week there have been brought into the Bergen stock yards, 2,407 cattle, 3,018 hogs and 13,159 sheep. During the same time there were slaughtered, 567 cattle, 4,529 hogs and 3,918 sheep.

Mrs. MANYER, residing at Union Hill, had four children yesterday at a birth. The mother and three of the children died shortly afterward, but the fourth child survives and promises to do well.

A German laborer named GEORGE SCHWEICHNER, employed as laborer by the New-Jersey Zinc Company, Newark, was crushed to death yesterday by the caving in of an embankment. Several tons of earth fell on him, and horribly disfigured him.

A woman, name unknown, committed suicide last evening, at the Hoboken Hospital, by taking Paris green.

PROCEEDINGS OF CONGRESS.

SENATE, Tuesday, March 2.

Vice-President Colfax and Senator-elect Pomeroy were sworn in.

Mr. CONKLING, Republican, N. Y., gave notice that on Friday next, at 2—11 A. M., he would move the following resolution: Resolved, That the Senate will not exceed 4,000 [illegible] from Boston to the Rocky Mountains, and 4,000 [illegible] from Rocky Mountains to Sacramento.

The Senate spent the balance of the day in executive session.

HOUSE, Tuesday, March 2.

Mr. BLAIR, Democrat, Mo